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Acronyms

ANN Artificial Neural Network
ASSOM Adaptive Subspace Self-Organising Map
CCA Canonical Correlation Analysis
ECA Exploratory Correlation Analysis
EPP Exploratory Projection Pursuit
FA Factor Analysis
HEPP Hierarchical Exploratory Projection Pursuit
ICA Independent Component Analysis
KCCA Kernel Canonical Correlation Analysis
KPCA Kernel Principal Component Analysis
LDA Linear Discriminant Analysis
MCA Minor Components Analysis
ML Maximum Likelihood
MOB Minimum Overcomplete Basis
MSE Mean Square Error
NLCCA Nonlinear Canonical Correlation Analysis
NLPCA Nonlinear Principal Components Analysis
NPLS Nonlinear Partial Least Squares
PCA Principal Component Analysis
PFA Principal Factor Analysis
PLS Partial Least Squares
SIM Scale Invariant Map
SOM Self-Organising Map

Preface

This book is the outcome of a decade's research into a specific architecture and associated learning mechanism for an artificial neural network: the architecture involves negative feedback and the learning mechanism is simple Hebbian learning. The research began with my own thesis at the University of Strathclyde, Scotland, under Professor Douglas McGregor which culminated with me being awarded a PhD in 1995 [52], the title of which was "Negative Feedback as an Organising Principle for Artificial Neural Networks".

Naturally enough, having established this theme, when I began to supervise PhD students of my own, we continued to develop this concept and this book owes much to the research and theses of these students at the Applied Computational Intelligence Research Unit in the University of Paisley. Thus we discuss work from

- Dr. Darryl Charles [24] in Chapter 5.
- Dr. Stephen McGlinchey [127] in Chapter 7.
- Dr. Donald MacDonald [121] in Chapters 6 and 8.
- Dr. Emilio Corchado [29] in Chapter 8.

We briefly discuss one simulation from the thesis of Dr. Mark Girolami [58] in Chapter 6 but do not discuss any of the rest of his thesis since it has already appeared in book form [59]. We also must credit Cesar Garcia Osorio, a current PhD student, for the comparative study of the two Exploratory Projection Pursuit networks in Chapter 8. All of Chapters 3 to 8 deal with single stream artificial neural networks.

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Needless to say, we cannot cover all the work in these theses in a single book and so the interested reader is invited to consult the originals for more detailed description of any work which commands his or her interest.

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