Introduction to Deep Learning (COMP0090)

Description

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1. understand the fundamental principles, theory and approaches for learning with deep neural networks;
2. understand the main variants of deep learning (such as feedforward and recurrent architectures), and their typical applications;
3. understand the key concepts, issues and practices when training and modelling with deep architectures;
4. understand automatic differentiation theory and multivariate optimisation;
5. understand how deep learning fits within the context of other ML approaches and what learning tasks it is considered to be suited and not well suited to perform;

Content:
- This module will aim to teach students the fundamentals of modern neural networks. It will cover the most common forms of model architectures and primarily the algorithms used to train them. The theory and principles will be presented alongside example applications. The aim is to focus on the core algorithms, ideas and mathematics, rather than any specific implementation framework;
- Students will be taught the basics of neural networks, feedforward networks, recurrent networks; and introduced to concepts such as: regularisation, optimisation and hyper-parameter optimization;

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Key information

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Credit value 15 (150 study hours)
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Assessment

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standard distributions); (ii) familiar with Machine Learning concepts and practice; and (iii) proficient in programming (examples and assignments may be given in a high level language such as Julia or Python).

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- Coursework: 30%
- Written examination (main exam period): 70%

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