# Fall 2020: CSCI 4/5588 Programming Assignment #3

**DUE**: Wednesday, Nov 09, 2020 (Softcopy @2 PM via Moodle).

#### **Instructions**

- All work must be your own (other than the instructor provided codes and hints to be used). You are NOT to work in teams on this assignment.
- ☐ Format: Your solution must be typed. Submit as a single compressed file (via moodle) **containing all the related files in it**. Name it as PA3\_<Your\_name>. Provide hardcopy (see <u>Reporting</u> section.)
- □ The top/cover page of the report should have the title, "Fall 2020: CSCI 4/5588 Programming Assignment #3". Then your, "Name:\_\_\_\_\_\_ and ID:\_\_\_\_\_\_
- □ Marks: 100.

#### **Description**

This programming assignment is to build an Artificial Neural Network (ANN) to recognize handwritten 10 digits: '0', '1', '2', ..., '9'.

- You will build 4 different ANNs having hidden layer(s): 1, 2, 5 and 10.
- Each of the hidden layers will have random units ranging from 5 to 100.
- You are welcome to generate any additional useful features from the given datasets to be used as an input feature.
- Train your ANN(s) using the training datasets and identify the best weights (parameters) using the test datasets.
- Exit condition for the ANN is at least 2000 epochs.

### Data

- Information about the dataset:
  - o http://www-stat.stanford.edu/~tibs/ElemStatLearn/datasets/zip.info
- Dataset:
  - o Training: <a href="http://www-stat.stanford.edu/~tibs/ElemStatLearn/datasets/zip.train.gz">http://www-stat.stanford.edu/~tibs/ElemStatLearn/datasets/zip.train.gz</a>
  - Individual digit-wise training-data is also available:

    <a href="http://www-stat.stanford.edu/~tibs/ElemStatLearn/datasets/zip.digits">http://www-stat.stanford.edu/~tibs/ElemStatLearn/datasets/zip.digits</a>
  - o Test: <a href="http://www-stat.stanford.edu/~tibs/ElemStatLearn/datasets/zip.test.gz">http://www-stat.stanford.edu/~tibs/ElemStatLearn/datasets/zip.test.gz</a>
- Check Moodle for a copy of the datasets and related information.

## **Submission of the Report**

- Submit a report that includes:
  - o For each of the ANNs, plot graphs of the training and test of
    - (a) MSE, and
    - (b) classification accuracy,

for epochs, at least ranging from 1 to 200.

- o In a table, show minimum training and test-error (i.e., MSE) collected from each of the ANNs, running at least 2000 epochs.
- A readme file describing how to run your program.
- Program code with necessary comments.

## **Information**

• You must follow the ANN code provided by the instructor in the class. Extend the code for this assignment problem (You may convert the given code or idea of the code to a different programming language, and then you can extend it further).

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