

# Course Introduction

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# Who am I (Minlie Huang)?

- Dr. Minlie Huang
  - Associate Professor
  - Work at Tsinghua since 2006
- Research interests
  - Artificial intelligence
  - **Deep learning in NLP**
  - **Deep reinforcement learning in NLP**
  - Natural language processing
  - Dialogue systems, sentiment analysis

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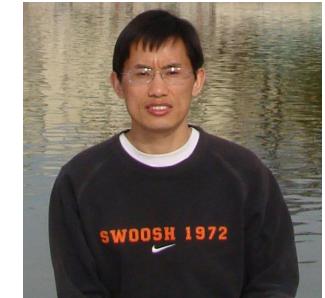
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# Table of Content

- Background
- MLP (Multi-layer Perceptrons)
- Platform for DL (PyTorch+Tensorflow, by TA)
- CNN (Convolutional Neural Networks)
- Advanced topics in CNN for Vision (by TA)
- RNN (Recurrent Neural Network) + LSTM (Long short-term Memory Network)
- Autoencoder + Boltzmann Machine
- Special tracks
  - Deep Learning for NLP
  - Deep Reinforcement Learning
  - Memory Network + Sequence-level Learning (by TA)
- Course Review

# Keywords

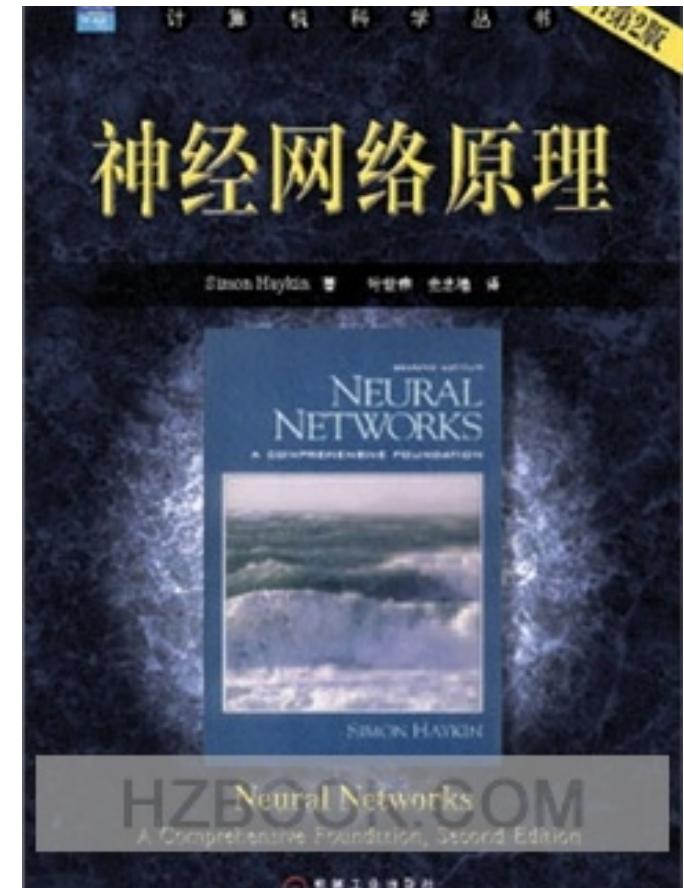
- Neural Network
- Deep Learning
- Convolutional Neural Network
- Recurrent Neural Network
- Autoencoders
- Deep Reinforcement Learning

# Textbooks

- Simon Haykin' s 《Neural Networks and Learning Machines》  
(Third Edition) 机械工业出版社.
- Lecture notes and additional literature

References :

- 《Neural Networks and Intellect》 , Oxford University Press. Inc.  
2001
- 《人工神经网络教程》 韩力群编著, 2006年, 北京邮电大学  
出版社



# Resources

- Stanford University
  - CS229: Machine Learning <http://cs229.stanford.edu/>
  - CS231n: Convolutional Neural Networks for Visual Recognition <http://cs231n.stanford.edu/>
  - CS224n: Natural Language Processing with Deep Learning <http://web.stanford.edu/class/cs224n/>
- Carnegie Mellon University
  - CS 10-701: Machine Learning <http://www.cs.cmu.edu/~epxing/Class/10701/index.html>
  - CS 11-747: Neural Networks for NLP <http://phontron.com/class/nn4nlp2017/index.html>
  - CS 16-385: Computer Vision <http://www.cs.cmu.edu/~16385/>
- Massachusetts Institute of Technology
  - CS 6.036: Introduction to Machine Learning <http://courses.csail.mit.edu/6.036/>
  - CS 6.869: Advances in Computer Vision <http://6.869.csail.mit.edu/fa17/>
  - CS 6.864: Advanced Natural Language Processing <http://courses.csail.mit.edu/6.864/>

# Resources

- University of Toronto
  - CSC321: Neural Networks for Machine Learning <http://www.cs.toronto.edu/~tijmen/csc321/>
- University of Montreal
  - Deep Learning and Reinforcement Learning <https://mila.quebec/en/cours/deep-learning-summer-school-2017/>
- 中文资料(偏向自然语言处理) : <https://nndl.github.io/>

# Evaluation

- 4 Homeworks (**15\*4=60 credits**)
  - Implement MLP with python (2<sup>nd</sup> week)
  - Implement CNN with python (4<sup>th</sup> week)
  - Implement MLP\CNN with Tensorflow (6<sup>th</sup> week)
  - Implement RNN on text classification with Tensorflow (8<sup>th</sup> week)
- Final project (**40 credits**)
  - Proposal/final presentations
  - Code and report
- Submission date (**to be announced**)

# Homework I

- In this homework, you need to implement multilayer perceptron (MLP) to perform MNIST digits classification
  - implement the forward/backward functions of **Linear/Relu/Sigmoid/EuclideanLoss** layers
  - construct a neural network with one hidden layer, and compare the difference of results when using **Sigmoid** and **Relu** as activation function
  - construct a neural network with two hidden layers, and compare the difference results between one layer architecture and two layers architecture.

# Homework II

- In this homework, you need to work on MNIST digits classification by using convolutional neural network (CNN)
  - implement forward/backward functions of **Conv2D/AvgPool2D/SoftmaxCrossEntropyLoss** layers (*hard*)
  - construct a CNN to predict labels and compare the difference of results you obtained in MLP homework
  - visualize the output of first convolution layer after **ReLU** for 4 different digit images



# Homework III

- In this homework, you need to implement multilayer perceptron (MLP) and convolutional neural networks (CNN) to perform MNIST image classification with Tensorflow.
- MLP
  - Implement MLP code with Tensorflow.
  - Compare the difference of results when: 1) using **Sigmoid** and **Relu** activation function and 2) using one and two hidden layers.
- CNN
  - Implement CNN code with Tensorflow.
  - Compare the difference of results when: 1) using different convolutional window size and 2) using different hidden layers.

# Homework VI

- In this homework, you need work on sentence-level **sentiment classification** with Tensorflow.
  - Implement various **RNN** frameworks
  - Implement basic RNN units, e.g. **GRU** and **LSTM**
  - Implement **attention** mechanism to improve accuracy

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but the taste covers all."*

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# Final Project

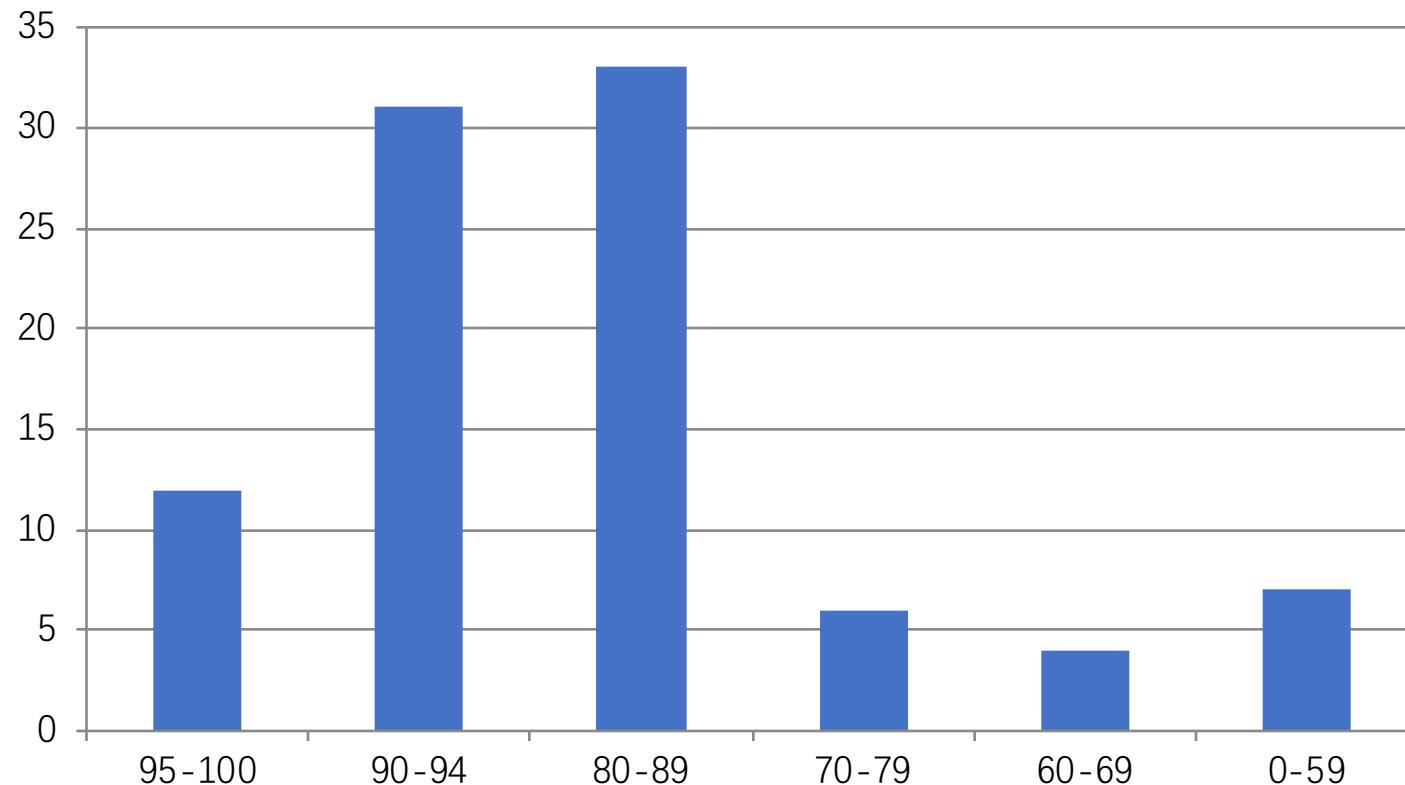
- The Course Project is an opportunity for you to apply what you have learned in class to a problem of your interest. Potential projects usually fall into these two tracks:
  - **Applications:** Apply neural networks to problems related to your particular domain of interest. Pick a real-world problem and apply neural network to solve it
  - **Models:** Build a new model (algorithm) with neural network, or a new variant of existing models, and apply it to tackle tasks
- Potential topics:
  - Object Recognition, Object Detection, Image Captioning .....
  - Sentiment Classification, Dialogue Generation, Reading Comprehension .....
  - Generative Models, Reinforcement Learning .....

# More about Final Project

- Release a candidate list of topics **before Oct. 1**
- Can be an **ongoing research** project (before **half-completed**)
- Can be a **new research** project in lab (ask help from your supervisor)
- **Start as early as possible!**

# Evaluation

- Score distribution in Fall 2017

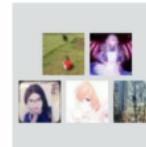


# Important Things!

- No **Plagiarism** in homework (**0 credits**)
  - Even you do not know how-to-do, you need to type the codes by yourself, and conduct the experiments
- No **Delay (-1 for one-day delay, till 0)** for any homework

# Wechat Group

- Only for communication in this course



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