

## Simulation and intelligent tracking of a robot

### Introduction

The following documentation is about simulating a robot in 1D space, creating it a real-life scenario by adding noise which is always convenient this it to add realism to the robot.

The noise that will be added will consist of number with zero mean and a standard deviation. These will be randomised to simulate uncertainty. In order to generate these number, we will use a box Muller method then we will add them to  $x(t)$  location (time).

In part three an intelligent agent will need to be designed which predicts the location of the robot from part one. This will require using the sensor readings from parts one and two. The agent will have a single neuron which will learn the moments of the first robot.

### Part 1

In this part we generate numbers which represent the robot moving within the bounds of 2 and -2 this was the location of the robot.

The logic for changing  $U$  is found in the while loop with the addition of IF statements to find the correct values, between lines 43 and 63 . This is done via implementing the formula of  $X = -2X + 2U$ . The result will then be placed in an excel file for reading.

$U$  will be plotted against time and it will change according to time. The graphs show that if we reduce the time step the values become less volatile, this is because Once  $x$  has gone to zero  $-2x$  will always remain zero this is called convergence. This shows the lower  $H$  the better values we will get. Unstable values of  $H$ , if we changed the value of  $H$  to 1.6 which is the upper limit and causes the program to lag out, however the lower limit is 0.0001 which also causes the program to cause an out of bounds error.

Euler's method the time derivate the difference between 2 values of  $x$  divided by the time to move between one value to the next,  $X$  is don't dependant on the value of the  $h$ . this may lead to oscillations or large errors.

### Part 2

The primary reason why noise was introduced was that we want to simulate real like errors such as: Implementation errors which are to do with the logic used such as step size. the smaller the step, the smaller the error, the greater the step the greater the error, modelling errors which are things like the environment used and how we didn't take into consideration real world problems such as friction and drag, even these are approximations as they aren't what happens in the real world. Data errors these would be what data is collected by the robot using its hypothetical senses. Such as sensor inaccuracy and mechanical latency.

The noise we added was minuscule and did not affect the data set by much. Normally distributed is nose which is applied to all parts on the dataset not just a few. This is to account for errors all the way through the system. This shown via the graphs in part 2 as the line for noise existed but it was not visible, due to it being very similar to the original  $X$  value. This was done via reading the values of the first part from the excel fine and then adding noise to it to the existing values.

We generated 1 random number and the machine returned 2 this is because a positive version and a negative version were returned from the input given. As shown by  $X = -2X + 2U$ . We used the cos and sin functions which are the inverse of each other, so the mean was around 0, this allowed us to choose the standard deviation when calculating the noise.

The code in part 2 shows how the process of generating the random number within the bounds and adding it.

### Part 3

In this part we had to generate a random number between  $-0.5$  and  $0.5$  this would act as the weight the perceptron would use on top of the 3 past samples so that the learning algorithm would have enough data to work out the 4<sup>th</sup>, as it is a single layered perceptron it would require more inputs. With these inputs it must be able to generate an output. This is called a feed forward network

The stepper function would be viable if the data was linearly separated, however the stepper can only return a Boolean value where as a sigmoid returns a number which can be used to see how off the prediction was as well as learn from it the rate it was off by.

Logistic sigmoid is used so non-linearity can be applied to the range which leads to faster convergence. It uses back propagation which compute the partial derivatives of the cost function. It does this by using gradient decent to update the weights. This is what causes the actual learning.

If the data is not known then we will use the minimiser of the generalised cross validation function. This produces an expected MSE which approaches the minimum possible expected MSE as  $N \rightarrow \infty$  This will only work if the data set is large enough to be able to distinguish  $X$  from  $X$  noise.

Lag by the system was caused by the calculation process but due to the step size being so small the robot had already moved on.

the hidden layer of an RBF is linear whereas the output later is not. However, in the MLP the hidden layers and the output layers are both non- linear, more over the RBF computes the Euclidean norm between input vector and centre of the unit. Whereas in the MLP computes the Synaptic weight vector of the unit. Furthermore, the XOR problem cannot be solved by the RBF. Lastly the MLP requires a smaller number of parameters than an RBF which leads to a higher degree of accuracy.

### Conclusion

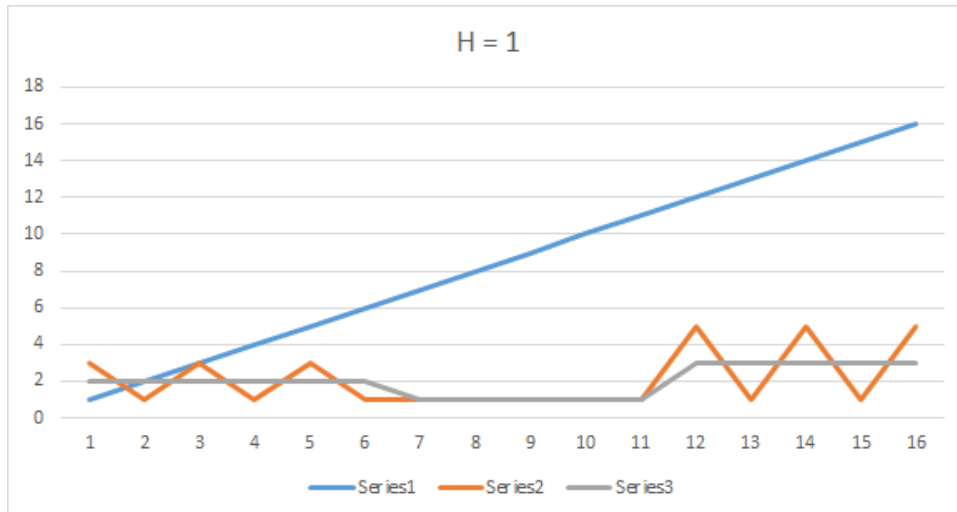
Parts one and two were making the robot seem as if it was moving and mimicking real life environment by adding noise which had to be tiny as the senses in a robot are often accurate.

Also In this experiment we learnt that in order for the perception to be able to track the position of the robot effectively we needed to use a sigmoid, this allowed us to back propagate which is what caused the robot to learn.

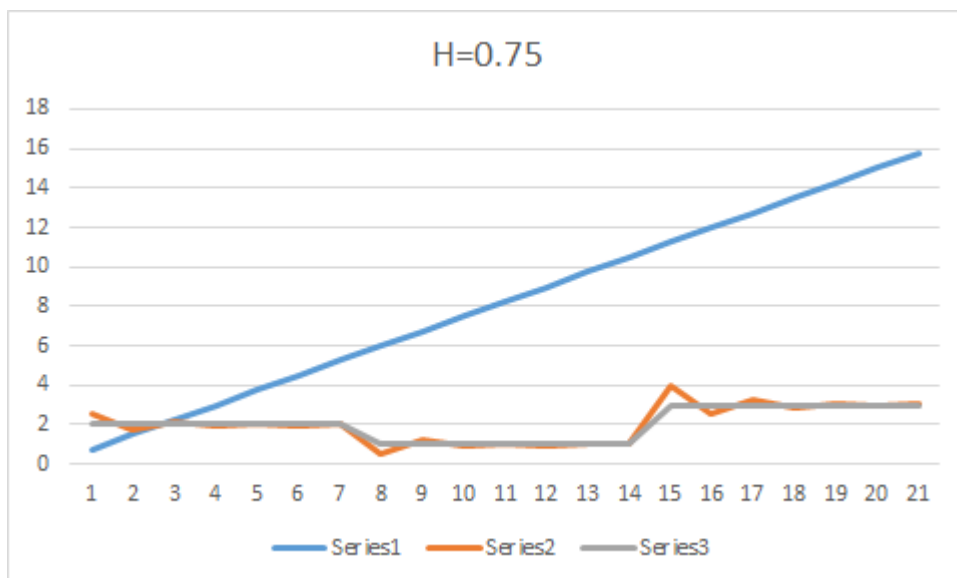
## Code/ appendix

### Part 1

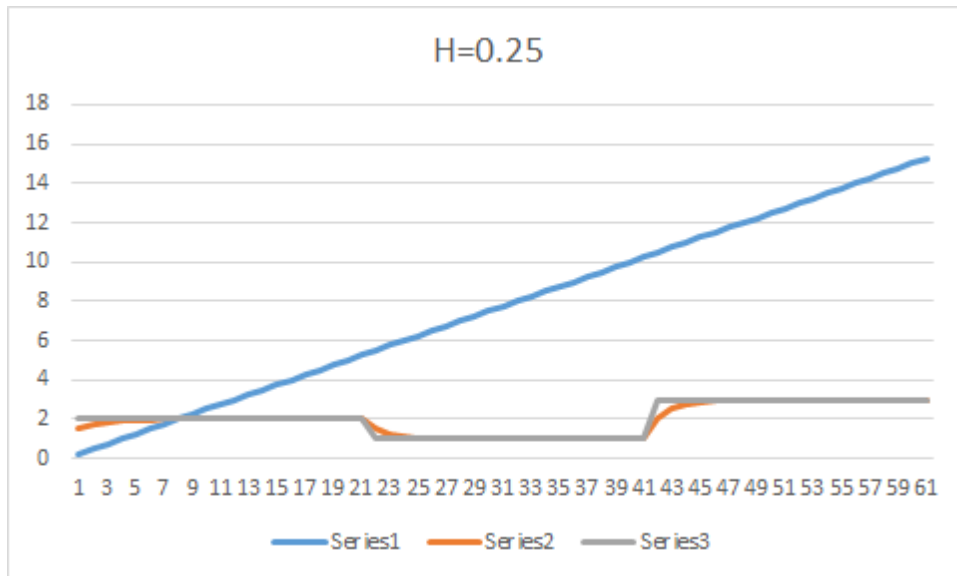
H = 1



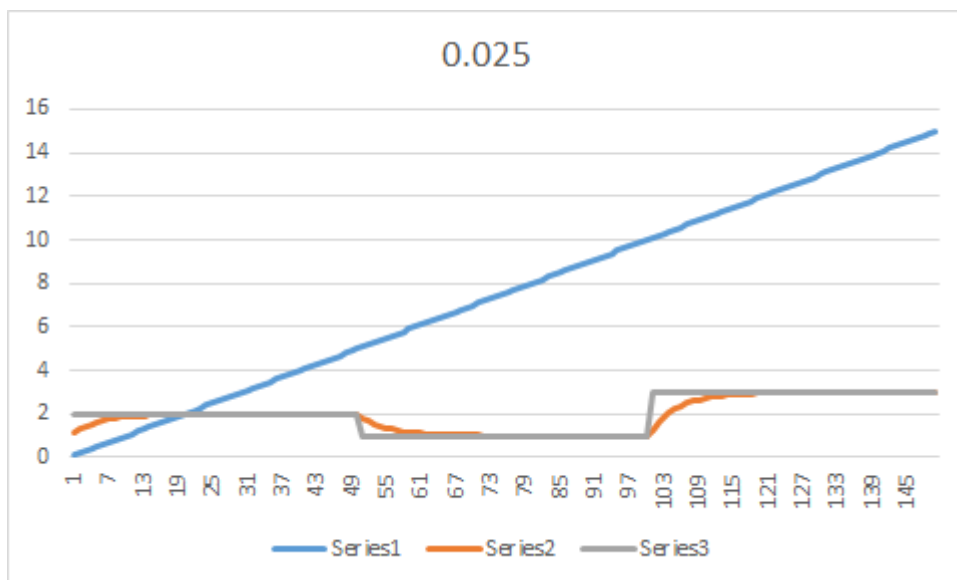
H = 0.75



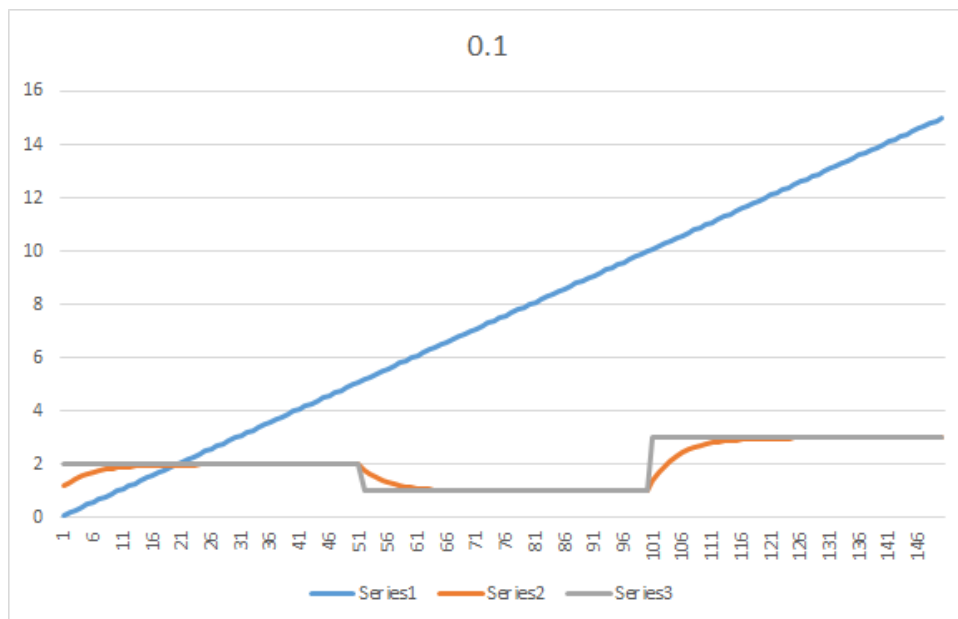
H = 0.25



H= 0.025



H= 0.1



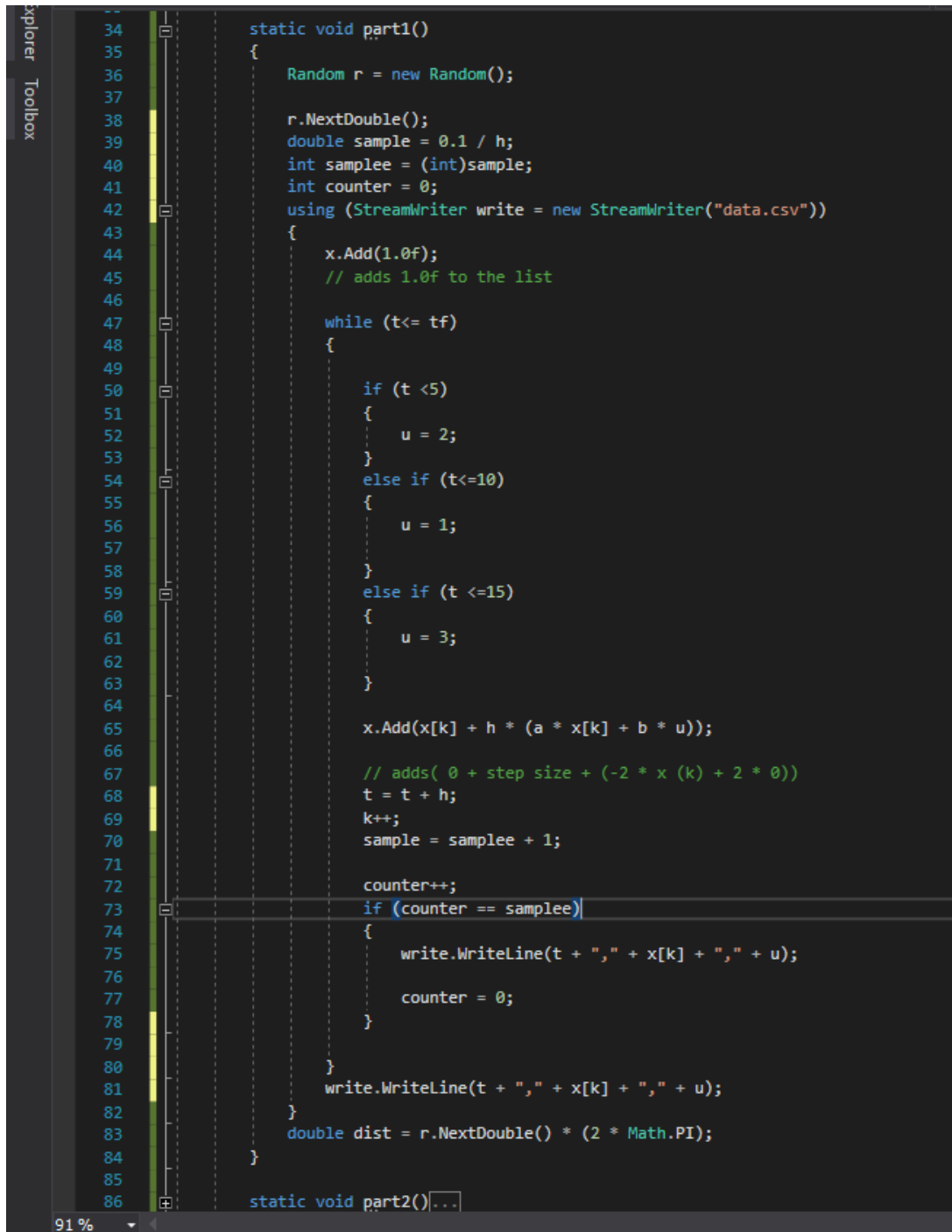
Code for the variables

```

1  namespace perceptron
2  {
3      class Program
4      {
5          static List<float> x = new List<float>();
6          static float h = 0.001f;
7          // time step // see lecture
8          static float a = -2;
9          static float b = 2;
10         static float u = 0;
11
12         static float tf = 15;
13         // time at 0
14         static float t = 0;
15
16         static int k = 0;
17
18         static void part1(...)
19
20         static void part2()
21         {

```

Code for U change



```
34 static void part1()
35 {
36     Random r = new Random();
37
38     r.NextDouble();
39     double sample = 0.1 / h;
40     int samplee = (int)sample;
41     int counter = 0;
42     using (StreamWriter write = new StreamWriter("data.csv"))
43     {
44         x.Add(1.0f);
45         // adds 1.0f to the list
46
47         while (t <= tf)
48         {
49
50             if (t < 5)
51             {
52                 u = 2;
53             }
54             else if (t <= 10)
55             {
56                 u = 1;
57             }
58             else if (t <= 15)
59             {
60                 u = 3;
61             }
62
63
64             x.Add(x[k] + h * (a * x[k] + b * u));
65
66             // adds( 0 + step size + (-2 * x (k) + 2 * 0))
67             t = t + h;
68             k++;
69             sample = samplee + 1;
70
71             counter++;
72             if (counter == samplee)
73             {
74                 write.WriteLine(t + "," + x[k] + "," + u);
75
76                 counter = 0;
77             }
78
79             write.WriteLine(t + "," + x[k] + "," + u);
80         }
81         double dist = r.NextDouble() * (2 * Math.PI);
82     }
83
84
85
86 static void part2()...
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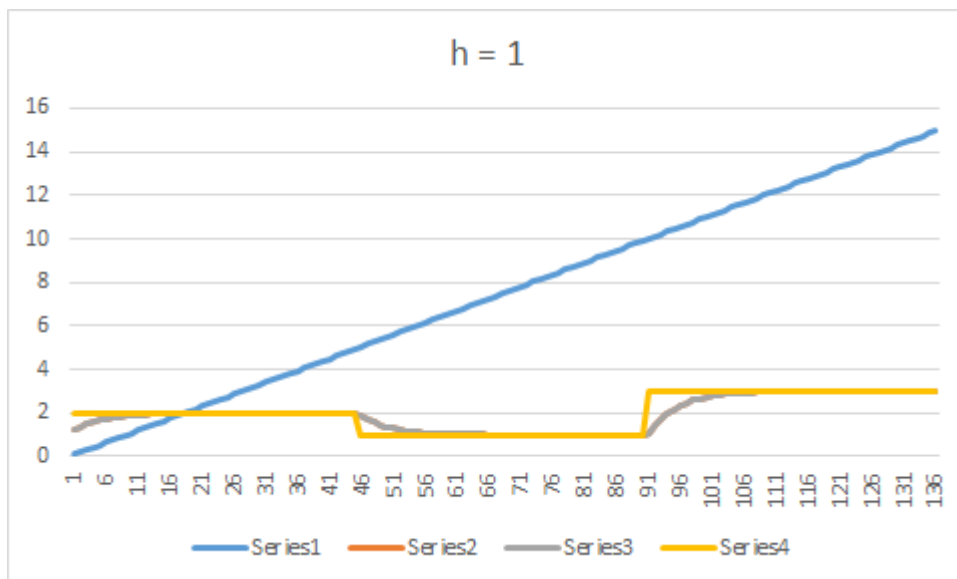
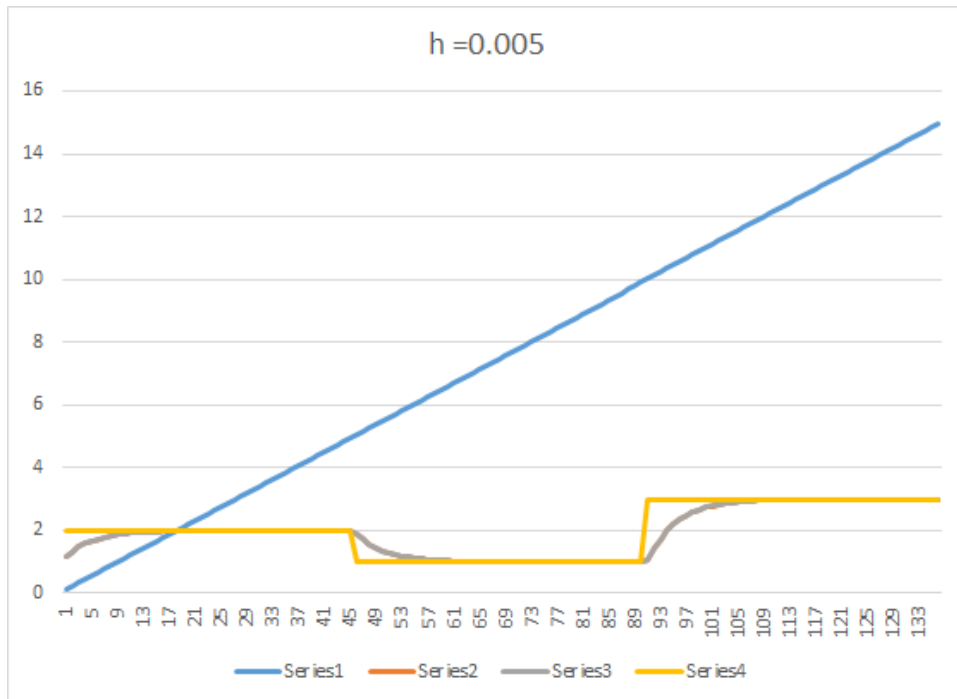
Part 2

Code

```
105 {
106
107
108     int it = 0;
109     double mean = 0.0;
110     double SD = 0.001;
111     double z2 = 0;
112
113     for (int i = 0; i < part1.Count; i++)
114     {
115
116         string entry = part1[i];
117
118         string[] entryarray = entry.Split(new char[] { ',' }, 3);
119
120
121         string time = entryarray[0];
122         string sstring = entryarray[1];
123         // sstring is x from the old one
124
125         double.TryParse(sstring, out double x);
126
127         string u = entryarray[2];
128
129
130         double a = r2.NextDouble() * (2 * Math.PI);
131
132         double b = SD * Math.Sqrt(-2 * Math.Log(r2.NextDouble()));
133
134
135         if(it == 0)
136         {
137
138
139             double z1 = b * Math.Sin(a) + mean;
140             double xnoise = x + z1;
141             writer.WriteLine(time + "," + x + "," + xnoise + "," + u);
142             it = 0;
143             z2 = b * Math.Cos(a) + mean;
144
145         }
146
147         else if (it == 1)
148         {
149             double xnoise = x + z2;
150             writer.WriteLine(time + "," + x + "," + xnoise + "," + u);
151             it = 0;
152
153         }
154     }
155 }
156
157
158 }
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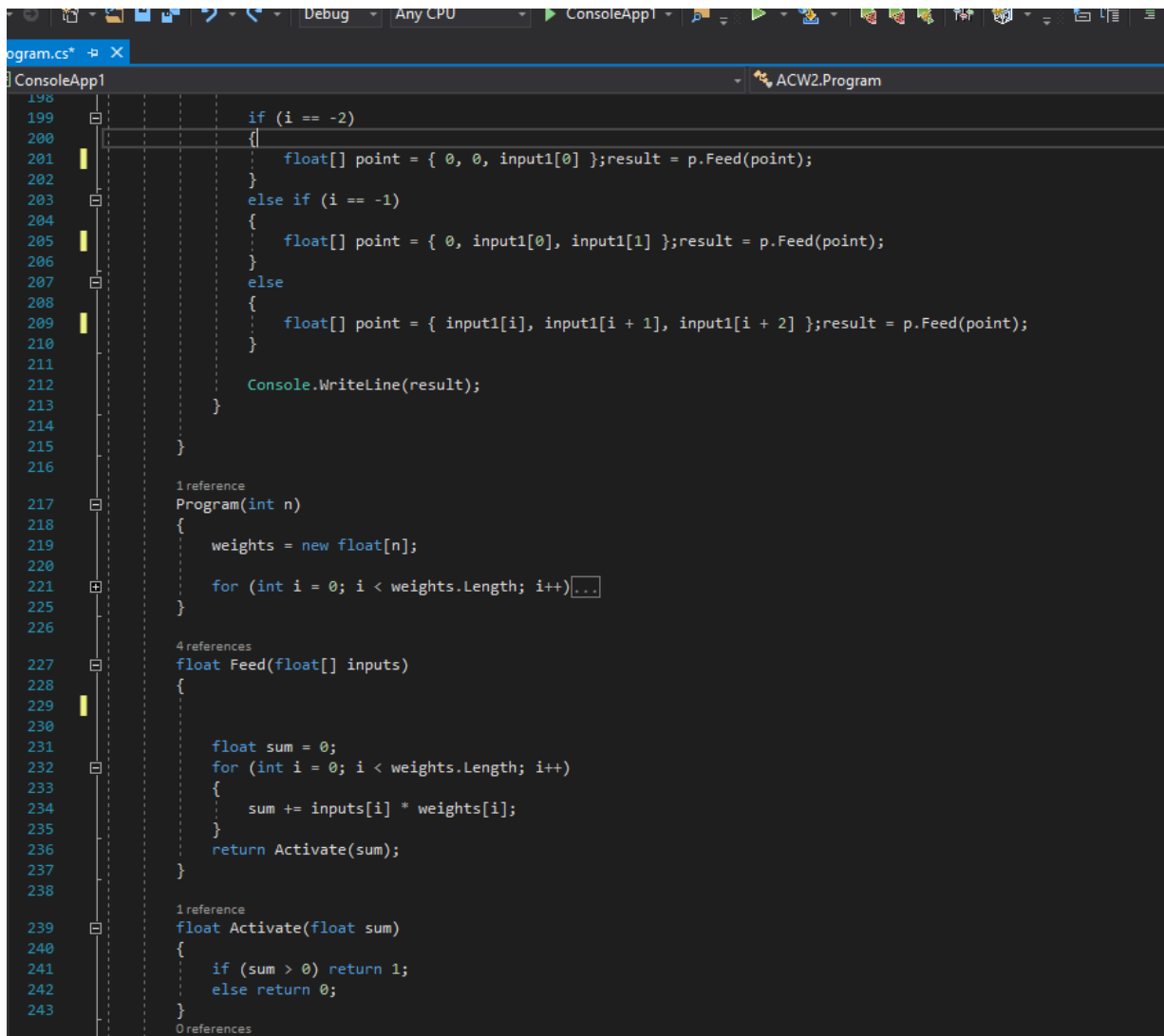
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Output





```
ConsoleApp1 ACW2.Program
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157
158     string path = @"\\adirs.hull.ac.uk\home\528\528649\Desktop\chnadra\working\ConsoleApp1\ConsoleApp1\bin\Debug\netcoreapp2.0\noisy.txt";
159
160     List<string> data = new List<string>();
161     using (StreamReader sr = File.OpenText(path))
162     {
163         string line;
164         while ((line = sr.ReadLine()) != null)
165         {
166             data.Add(line);
167         }
168     }
169
170     List<float> input1 = new List<float>();
171
172
173     for (int i = 0; i < data.Count; i++)
174     {
175
176         var text = data[i].Split(',').ToArray();
177         string S4 = text[2];
178         input1.Add(float.Parse(S4));
179     }
180
181
182     float max = input1.Max();
183
184     float min = input1.Min();
185
186     for (int i = 0; i < input1.Count; i++)
187     {
188         input1[i] = ((input1[i] - min) / (max - min));
189     }
190
191
192     //declare RMSE as 5, do a while loop (while RMSE > 0.1), then do a nested for loop. the outer for loop goes through each sample. simulate the
193     //Each run through the while loop is 1 epoch, where it goes through the entire data set and trains. the outer for loop goes through each samp
194     for (int i = -2; i < input1.Count - 2; i++)
195     {
196         Program p = new Program(3);
197         float result;
198
199         if (i == -2)
200         {
201             float[] point = { 0, 0, input1[0] }; result = p.Feed(point);
202         }
203     }
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198
199     if (i == -2)
200     {
201         float[] point = { 0, 0, input1[0] }; result = p.Feed(point);
202     }
203     else if (i == -1)
204     {
205         float[] point = { 0, input1[0], input1[1] }; result = p.Feed(point);
206     }
207     else
208     {
209         float[] point = { input1[i], input1[i + 1], input1[i + 2] }; result = p.Feed(point);
210     }
211     Console.WriteLine(result);
212 }
213
214
215
216
217 1 reference
218 Program(int n)
219 {
220     weights = new float[n];
221     for (int i = 0; i < weights.Length; i++)
222     {
223
224
225     }
226
227 4 references
228 float Feed(float[] inputs)
229 {
230
231     float sum = 0;
232     for (int i = 0; i < weights.Length; i++)
233     {
234         sum += inputs[i] * weights[i];
235     }
236     return Activate(sum);
237 }
238
239 1 reference
240 float Activate(float sum)
241 {
242     if (sum > 0) return 1;
243     else return 0;
244 }
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238  
239 1reference  
240 float Activate(float sum)  
241 {  
242     if (sum > 0) return 1;  
243     else return 0;  
244 }  
245 0references  
246 float Sigmoid(float sum)  
247 {  
248     return (float)(1.0 / (1.0 + Math.Pow(Math.E, -sum)));  
249 }  
250 0references  
251 void Train(float[] inputs, int desired)  
252 {  
253     float guess = Feed(inputs);  
254     float error = desired - guess;  
255     for (int i = 0; i < weights.Length; i++)  
256     {  
257         weights[i] += c * error * inputs[i];  
258     }  
259 }  
260  
261  
262  
263
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