



COIT29225 Neural Networks and Deep Learning

Term 2 - 2023

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General Information

Overview

Artificial Intelligence (AI) is becoming an important part of software development. Neural networks and Deep Learning are the main contributors to the recent advances in applications of Artificial Intelligence. Deep Learning enables computers to learn complicated concepts by building them out of a hierarchy of simpler ones. Deep Learning techniques have been successfully applied to a broad field of applications such as computer vision, image and video recognition, natural language processing, and medical diagnosis. This unit introduces you to the fundamentals of Deep Learning and how it can solve problems in many areas. In this unit, you will learn the architecture of neural networks and algorithms, including the latest Deep Learning techniques. You will learn to develop conventional neural networks such as multilayer perceptrons, and convolutional neural networks. You will use software to train and deploy neural networks. You will also identify practical applications of Deep learning by exploring recent case studies.

Details

Career Level: *Postgraduate*

Unit Level: *Level 9*

Credit Points: 6

Student Contribution Band: 8

Fraction of Full-Time Student Load: 0.125

Pre-requisites or Co-requisites

Pre-requisite: COIT20277 Introduction to Artificial Intelligence

Important note: Students enrolled in a subsequent unit who failed their pre-requisite unit, should drop the subsequent unit before the census date or within 10 working days of Fail grade notification. Students who do not drop the unit in this timeframe cannot later drop the unit without academic and financial liability. See details in the [Assessment Policy and Procedure \(Higher Education Coursework\)](#).

Offerings For Term 2 - 2023

- Online

Attendance Requirements

All on-campus students are expected to attend scheduled classes – in some units, these classes are identified as a mandatory (pass/fail) component and attendance is compulsory. International students, on a student visa, must maintain a full time study load and meet both attendance and academic progress requirements in each study period (satisfactory attendance for International students is defined as maintaining at least an 80% attendance record).

Website

[This unit has a website, within the Moodle system, which is available two weeks before the start of term. It is important that you visit your Moodle site throughout the term. Please visit Moodle for more information.](#)

Class and Assessment Overview

Recommended Student Time Commitment

Each 6-credit Postgraduate unit at CQUniversity requires an overall time commitment of an average of 12.5 hours of study per week, making a total of 150 hours for the unit.

Class Timetable

[Regional Campuses](#)

Bundaberg, Cairns, Emerald, Gladstone, Mackay, Rockhampton, Townsville

[Metropolitan Campuses](#)

Adelaide, Brisbane, Melbourne, Perth, Sydney

Assessment Overview

1. **Practical Assessment**

Weighting: 30%

2. **Practical Assessment**

Weighting: 35%

3. **Project (applied)**

Weighting: 35%

Assessment Grading

This is a graded unit: your overall grade will be calculated from the marks or grades for each assessment task, based on the relative weightings shown in the table above. You must obtain an overall mark for the unit of at least 50%, or an overall grade of 'pass' in order to pass the unit. If any 'pass/fail' tasks are shown in the table above they must also be completed successfully ('pass' grade). You must also meet any minimum mark requirements specified for a particular assessment task, as detailed in the 'assessment task' section (note that in some instances, the minimum mark for a task may be greater than 50%). Consult the [University's Grades and Results Policy](#) for more details of interim results and final grades.

CQUniversity Policies

All University policies are available on the [CQUniversity Policy site](#).

You may wish to view these policies:

- Grades and Results Policy
- Assessment Policy and Procedure (Higher Education Coursework)
- Review of Grade Procedure
- Student Academic Integrity Policy and Procedure
- Monitoring Academic Progress (MAP) Policy and Procedure – Domestic Students
- Monitoring Academic Progress (MAP) Policy and Procedure – International Students
- Student Refund and Credit Balance Policy and Procedure
- Student Feedback – Compliments and Complaints Policy and Procedure
- Information and Communications Technology Acceptable Use Policy and Procedure

This list is not an exhaustive list of all University policies. The full list of University policies are available on the [CQUniversity Policy site](#).

Previous Student Feedback

Feedback, Recommendations and Responses

Every unit is reviewed for enhancement each year. At the most recent review, the following staff and student feedback items were identified and recommendations were made.

Feedback from Unit Coordinator

Feedback

Students wish to study basic techniques about the computer vision.

Recommendation

Add OpenCV basic tutorial materials and exercise.

Unit Learning Outcomes

On successful completion of this unit, you will be able to:

1. Formulate a neural network and deep learning problem applying the concepts and theory of classical and deep learning techniques
2. Design deep learning solutions to problems in pattern recognition and image analysis
3. Build a software application implementing neural networks using a high level programming language
4. Evaluate the performance of the deep learning techniques used in the software application
5. Investigate the application of intelligent systems in socially innovative applications.

The Skills Framework for the Information Age (SFIA) standard covers the skills and competencies related to information and communication technologies. SFIA defines levels of responsibility and skills. SFIA is adopted by organisations, governments and individuals in many countries. SFIA is increasingly being used when developing job descriptions and role profiles. SFIA can be used by individuals for creating personal skills profile. The Australian Computer Society (ACS) recognises the SFIA and provides [MySFIA](#) for ACS members to build a skills profile.

This unit contributes to the following workplace skills as defined by [SFIA 7](#) (the SFIA code is included):

Software design (SWDN)

Programming/software development (PROG)

Testing (TEST)

Application Support (ASUP).

Alignment of Learning Outcomes, Assessment and Graduate Attributes



Alignment of Assessment Tasks to Learning Outcomes

Assessment Tasks	Learning Outcomes				
	1	2	3	4	5
1 - Practical Assessment - 30%	•	•			
2 - Practical Assessment - 35%	•	•	•		•
3 - Project (applied) - 35%			•	•	•

Alignment of Graduate Attributes to Learning Outcomes

Graduate Attributes	Learning Outcomes				
	1	2	3	4	5
1 - Knowledge	○	○	○		
2 - Communication		○			○
3 - Cognitive, technical and creative skills		○	○	○	
4 - Research			○	○	○
5 - Self-management				○	
6 - Ethical and Professional Responsibility			○		
7 - Leadership			○		
8 - Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Cultures					

Alignment of Assessment Tasks to Graduate Attributes

Assessment Tasks	Graduate Attributes							
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1 - Practical Assessment - 30%	○	○	○					
2 - Practical Assessment - 35%	○	○	○	○		○	○	
3 - Project (applied) - 35%	○		○	○	○	○	○	

Textbooks and Resources

Textbooks

COIT29225

Prescribed

Neural Networks and Deep Learning - A Textbook

Edition: 1st (2018)

Authors: Charu C. Aggarwal

Springer

Gewerbestrasse , Cham , Switzerland

ISBN: 978-3-319-94462-3, 978-3-319-94463-0(eBook)

Binding: Paperback

Additional Textbook Information

In addition to the textbook, the UC may provide some additional newly developed supplementary materials on the moodle website.

[View textbooks at the CQUniversity Bookshop](#)

IT Resources

You will need access to the following IT resources:

- CQUniversity Student Email
- Internet
- Unit Website (Moodle)
- Python 3.7 or higher
- TensorFlow and Keras
- Anaconda3 2019.10 or 2020.02

Referencing Style

All submissions for this unit must use the referencing style: [Harvard \(author-date\)](#)
For further information, see the Assessment Tasks.

Teaching Contacts

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Schedule

Week 1 - 10 Jul 2023

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Fundamentals of Python Programming	Lecture Notes	

Week 2 - 17 Jul 2023

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Advanced APIs of Python Programming - Numpy, Scipy, Matplotlib, Pandas, and Data Visualization	Lecture Notes	

Week 3 - 24 Jul 2023

Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
An Introduction to Neural Networks	Textbook Chapter 1	

Week 4 - 31 Jul 2023		
Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Machine Learning with Shallow Neural Networks	Textbook Chapter 2	
Week 5 - 07 Aug 2023		
Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Deep Neural Networks and Learning Algorithms (1)	Textbook Chapter 3	
Vacation Week - 14 Aug 2023		
Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Week 6 - 21 Aug 2023		
Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Deep Neural Networks and Learning Algorithms (2)	Textbook Chapters 3&4	Assignment 1 Due: Week 6 Friday (25 Aug 2023) 11:59 pm AEST
Week 7 - 28 Aug 2023		
Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Unsupervised Learning Algorithms	Lecture Notes	
Week 8 - 04 Sep 2023		
Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Convolutional Neural Networks (1)	Textbook Chapter 8 - Part 1	
Week 9 - 11 Sep 2023		
Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Convolutional Neural Networks (2)	Textbook Chapter 8 - Part 2	
Week 10 - 18 Sep 2023		
Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Deep Learning - practices and applications	Textbook Chapter 8 - Part 3 & Lecture Notes	Assignment 2 Due: Week 10 Friday (22 Sept 2023) 11:59 pm AEST
Week 11 - 25 Sep 2023		
Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Restricted Boltzmann Machines	Textbook Chapter 6	
Week 12 - 02 Oct 2023		
Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
Recurrent Neural Networks	Textbook Chapter 7& Lecture Notes	
Review/Exam Week - 09 Oct 2023		
Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic
		Project Due: Review/Exam Week Friday (13 Oct 2023) 11:59 am AEST
Exam Week - 16 Oct 2023		
Module/Topic	Chapter	Events and Submissions/Topic

Term Specific Information

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Assessment Tasks

1 Assignment 1

Assessment Type

Practical Assessment

Task Description

In this assignment, you will demonstrate your ability to analyze the given scenario, and formulate a problem that can be resolved by neural network techniques. You will identify the input, output, and the required parameters of the feedforward neural network and apply the appropriate learning algorithm. You will design and implement the software solutions that need to use python programming skills, including the use of the built-in python advanced libraries (such as NumPy, SciPy, Matplotlib and Scikits, etc.) for performing various tasks including data visualization. The assessment task is to design, code, debug, and test the software applications using the topics in Weeks 1- 5. Further details are in the Assignment 1 specification document available from the Unit website.

Assessment Due Date

Week 6 Friday (25 Aug 2023) 11:59 pm AEST

Online via Moodle

Return Date to Students

Week 8 Friday (8 Sept 2023)

Online via Moodle

Weighting

30%

Assessment Criteria

1. Clear analysis of the given scenario and user requirements
2. Correct use of relevant python libraries and good programming practice
3. Building the correct architecture of the proposed neural network
4. Correct use and implementation of the learning algorithm
5. A report documenting testing, and specific aspect of feedforward neural networks as required

Referencing Style

- [Harvard \(author-date\)](#)

Submission

Online

Submission Instructions

Submit only one zip file (.zip) containing the source code files and the Word document file.

Learning Outcomes Assessed

- Formulate a neural network and deep learning problem applying the concepts and theory of classical and deep learning techniques
- Design deep learning solutions to problems in pattern recognition and image analysis

Graduate Attributes

- Knowledge
- Communication
- Cognitive, technical and creative skills

2 Assignment 2

Assessment Type

Practical Assessment

Task Description

Assignment 2 contains two computational tasks that can be resolved by applying neural network techniques. The first task is a typical regression problem with a noisy data sample. You are required to apply a deep neural network to implement a software solution. The second task is a classification problem, which may connect to a standard benchmark dataset. You are required to build a neural classifier to provide a solution. The solutions for these problems are application-oriented. In both tasks, you need to design, code, debug, and test the software solutions using the topics in Weeks 4 - 7. Further details are in the Assignment 2 specification document available from the Unit website.

Assessment Due Date

Week 10 Friday (22 Sept 2023) 11:59 pm AEST

Online via Moodle

Return Date to Students

Week 12 Friday (6 Oct 2023)

Online via Moodle

Weighting

35%

Assessment Criteria

1. Data format represented/generated correctly
2. Correct modelling of problem solutions following neural network concepts
3. Reasonable results with MSE and classification accuracy
4. Effective use of good programming practice in the code development
5. Rigorous testing to evaluate the correctness of the model and algorithm
6. A report discussing the design, implementation, and test of proposed networks

Referencing Style

- [Harvard \(author-date\)](#)

Submission

Online

Submission Instructions

Submit only one zip file (.zip) containing the source code files and the Word document file.

Learning Outcomes Assessed

- Formulate a neural network and deep learning problem applying the concepts and theory of classical and deep learning techniques
- Design deep learning solutions to problems in pattern recognition and image analysis
- Build a software application implementing neural networks using a high level programming language
- Investigate the application of intelligent systems in socially innovative applications.

Graduate Attributes

- Knowledge
- Communication
- Cognitive, technical and creative skills
- Research
- Ethical and Professional Responsibility
- Leadership

3 Project

Assessment Type

Project (applied)

Task Description

In this project, you will demonstrate your ability to apply convolutional neural networks (CNN) and deep learning algorithm to build an image classifier. You will also develop relevant applications in time-series data predictions using Recurrent neural networks. The performance and accuracy of your CNN and RNN network solution should be analyzed and discussed properly. You also will compare the advantages and disadvantages between the CNN technique and the traditional feedforward neural network method. You will need to use the open-source software libraries - TensorFlow and Keras (Google-powered). The assessment task is to design, code, debug, and test a software application using the topics in Weeks 8 - 12. Further details are in the Project specification document available from the Unit website.

Assessment Due Date

Review/Exam Week Friday (13 Oct 2023) 11:59 am AEST

Online via Moodle

Return Date to Students

Certification of Grades

Weighting

35%

Assessment Criteria

1. Clear analysis of the required classification problem
2. Correct design of the proposed CNN and parameter configurations
3. Correct design of the proposed RNN and parameter configurations
4. Correct application of deep learning principles
5. Effective source code development applying correct algorithmic steps
6. Writing a report to discuss the advantages & disadvantages and potential practical applications of CNN
7. Correct use of TensorFlow and Keras

Referencing Style

- [Harvard \(author-date\)](#)

Submission

Online

Submission Instructions

Submit only one zip file (.zip) containing the source code files and the Word document file.

Learning Outcomes Assessed

- Build a software application implementing neural networks using a high level programming language
- Evaluate the performance of the deep learning techniques used in the software application
- Investigate the application of intelligent systems in socially innovative applications.

Graduate Attributes

- Knowledge
- Cognitive, technical and creative skills
- Research
- Self-management
- Ethical and Professional Responsibility
- Leadership

Academic Integrity Statement

As a CQUniversity student you are expected to act honestly in all aspects of your academic work.

Any assessable work undertaken or submitted for review or assessment must be your own work. Assessable work is any type of work you do to meet the assessment requirements in the unit, including draft work submitted for review and feedback and final work to be assessed.

When you use the ideas, words or data of others in your assessment, you must thoroughly and clearly acknowledge the source of this information by using the correct referencing style for your unit. Using others' work without proper acknowledgement may be considered a form of intellectual dishonesty.

Participating honestly, respectfully, responsibly, and fairly in your university study ensures the CQUniversity qualification you earn will be valued as a true indication of your individual academic achievement and will continue to receive the respect and recognition it deserves.

As a student, you are responsible for reading and following CQUniversity's policies, including the [Student Academic Integrity Policy and Procedure](#). This policy sets out CQUniversity's expectations of you to act with integrity, examples of academic integrity breaches to avoid, the processes used to address alleged breaches of academic integrity, and potential penalties.

What is a breach of academic integrity?

A breach of academic integrity includes but is not limited to plagiarism, self-plagiarism, collusion, cheating, contract cheating, and academic misconduct. The Student Academic Integrity Policy and Procedure defines what these terms mean and gives examples.

Why is academic integrity important?

A breach of academic integrity may result in one or more penalties, including suspension or even expulsion from the University. It can also have negative implications for student visas and future enrolment at CQUniversity or elsewhere. Students who engage in contract cheating also risk being blackmailed by contract cheating services.

Where can I get assistance?

For academic advice and guidance, the [Academic Learning Centre \(ALC\)](#) can support you in becoming confident in completing assessments with integrity and of high standard.

What can you do to act with integrity?



Be Honest

If your assessment task is done by someone else, it would be dishonest of you to claim it as your own



Seek Help

If you are not sure about how to cite or reference in essays, reports etc, then seek help from your lecturer, the library or the Academic Learning Centre (ALC)



Produce Original Work

Originality comes from your ability to read widely, think critically, and apply your gained knowledge to address a question or problem