## Physics 178/278 Assignment 2

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Graduate students must also do the part labeled as (GS). Please upload your homework as a pdf version of the jupyter notebook with code and the running output of the code. Due Feb 4 at 8 AM.

- 1. Numerically investigate the storage capacity of the Hopfield network.
  - (a) 1: Build a N = 400 neuron network. 2: Construct enough stored states  $\xi^k$  to satisfy P/N = 0.2, i.e., well above the expected capacity limit P/N = 0.14. 3: Choose each element  $\xi^k$  of the P = 0.2 \* 400 = 80 patterns at random(randomly chosen 1 or -1 as a binomial variable).
  - (b) Construct the weight matrix  $W_{i,j}$  for storing one pattern  $\xi^1$ . Test, by recurrent action, if the Hopfield model with one stored pattern exactly maintains that pattern as a stable state.
  - (c) Construct the weight matrix  $W_{i,j}$  for storing two patterns  $\xi^1$ , and  $\xi^2$ . Test, by recurrent action, if the Hopfield model with two stored patterns maintains both patterns as stable states.
  - (d) Plot the energy of the above system starting at a random state and changing one neuronal output at a time so that the path reaches a stable state. Recall that  $\xi^k$ ,  $-\xi^k$  are both stable.
  - (e) (GS) Plot the energy along a path of your choice from a random state to  $\xi^1$  and then onto  $\xi^2$  and back to  $\xi^1$  along a different path.
  - (f) Continue the exercise in (c) of constructing the weight matrix with 3, 4, ..., all the way up to the 50 stored patterns. Find and plot the average, fractional error in recall as a function of P/N for P = 1 to P = 50. The error for each pattern is best calculated as the number of outputs, after the recurrent action has reached steady state, as the different from the final state  $S(t \to \infty)$  and the pattern  $\xi_i^k$ . Thus the average, fraction error is

$$\frac{1}{P} \sum_{k=1}^{P} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} |\frac{S_i(t \to \infty) - \xi_i^k)}{2}|$$

The Hopfield network requires a specific random update rule where only one neuronal output gets updated at a time:

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#random update. one neuron at a time
# S is the state vector and W is the weight matrix
def update_random(S, W):
    i = np.random.randint(0, len(S)) # Pick a random neuron
    h_i = np.dot(W[i], S) # Local field
    S[i] = 1 if h_i >= 0 else -1 # Update state
    return S
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