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Fundamentals of machine learning and applications to biomedical signal processing

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Scope of the session

Classical machine learning systems such as perceptrons, support vector machines and multi-layer perceptrons are used for performing the decision making. Recently, convolutional neural networks and extreme learning machines are employed to improve the performances of the learning systems. This special session mainly focuses on proposing new methods to further improve the performances of the learning systems as well as applying these new methods in biomedical signal processing systems such as blood glucose estimation systems, heart rate and respiratory rate estimation systems, blood pressure estimation systems, blood oxygen estimation systems, etc.

Prospective authors are invited to submit original and unpublished work on the following research topics related to this Special Session:

- Convolutional neural networks
- Extreme learning machines
- Blood glucose estimations
- Heart rate and respiratory systems
- Blood pressure estimation systems
- Blood oxygen estimation systems