

**Call for Papers for Special Session on**  
**Randomization-Based Deep and Shallow**  
**Learning Algorithms**

**ICNC-FSKD 2020, 1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> August, Xi'an, China**

Randomization-based learning algorithms have received considerable attention from academics, researchers, and domain workers because randomization-based neural networks can be trained by non-iterative approaches possessing closed-form solutions. Those methods are in general computationally faster than iterative solutions and less sensitive to parameter settings. Even though randomization-based non-iterative methods have attracted much attention in recent years, their deep structures have not been sufficiently developed nor benchmarked. This special session aims to bridge this gap.

The first target of this special session is to present the recent advances of randomization-based learning methods. Randomization based neural networks usually offer non-iterative closed form solutions. Secondly, the focus is on promoting the concepts of non-iterative optimization with respect to counterparts, such as gradient-based methods and derivative-free iterative optimization techniques. Besides the dissemination of the latest research results on randomization-based and/or non-iterative algorithms, it is also expected that this special session will cover some practical applications, present some new ideas and identify directions for future studies.

Original contributions as well as comparative studies among randomization-based methods and non-randomized methods are welcome with unbiased literature review and comparative studies. Typical deep/shallow paradigms include (but not limited to) random vector functional link (RVFL), echo state networks (ESN), liquid state networks (LSN), kernel ridge regression (KRR) with randomization, extreme learning machines (ELM), random forests (RF), and so on.

Topics of the special session include (with randomization-based methods), but are not limited to:

- Randomized convolutional neural networks
- Randomized internal representation learning
- Regression, classification and time series analysis by randomization-based methods
- Kernel methods such as kernel ridge regression, kernel adaptive filters, etc. with randomization
- Feedforward, recurrent, multilayer, deep and other structures with randomization
- Ensemble learning with randomization
- Moore-Penrose pseudo inverse, SVD and other solution procedures
- Gaussian process regression
- Randomization-based methods for large-scale problems with and without kernels
- Theoretical analysis of randomization-based methods
- Comparative studies with competing methods with or without randomization

- Applications of randomized methods in domains such as power systems, biomedical, finance, signal processing, big data and all other areas

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## **Important Dates**

- 15th February 2020 – Expression of interest via email to organizers of this SS
- 15th April 2020 – Emailing the full paper version to organizers of this SS
- 1st – 3rd Aug 2020 – ICNC-FSKD 2020, Xi'an China

## **Paper Submission**

Papers submitted to this Special Session are managed by the special session organizers. Authors are asked to email the full PDF paper version to the organizers before the deadline. Potential authors are encouraged to email as soon as possible their interest to submit a paper to this special session. Submissions to regular and special sessions follow identical final format, registration deadlines and other guidelines of the regular papers.

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