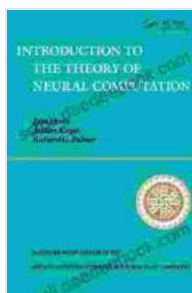# Introduction to the Theory of Neural Computation: Santa Fe Institute Studies in the Sciences of Complexity

Neural computation is the study of how the brain performs computations. It is a relatively new field, but it has already made significant progress in understanding how the brain works. Neural computation is based on the idea that the brain is a complex system that can be understood by studying its individual components and how they interact. This approach has led to the development of a number of new theories about how the brain works, and it has also helped to identify new targets for drug development.

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The brain is made up of billions of neurons, each of which is a small cell that can communicate with other neurons through electrical and chemical signals. Neurons are organized into networks, and these networks can perform a wide variety of computations. The most common type of

computation performed by the brain is pattern recognition. The brain is able to recognize patterns in both sensory data and motor commands. This ability is essential for survival, as it allows us to identify objects in our environment and to plan our movements.

Neural computation is also used for learning and memory. The brain is able to learn new things by modifying the connections between neurons. This process is called synaptic plasticity. Synaptic plasticity allows the brain to store memories and to adapt to new situations.

Neural computation is a complex and fascinating field of study. It has the potential to revolutionize our understanding of the brain and to lead to new treatments for brain disorders.
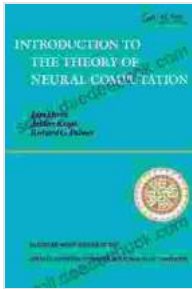
Applications of Neural Computation

Neural computation has a wide range of potential applications, including:

* Artificial Intelligence (AI): Neural networks can be used to create AI systems that can learn from data and make decisions. AI systems are already being used in a variety of applications, such as facial recognition, natural language processing, and medical diagnosis. * Robotics: Neural networks can be used to control robots. Neural network-controlled robots can learn to navigate complex environments and to perform a variety of tasks. * Medicine: Neural networks can be used to develop new drugs and treatments for brain disorders. Neural networks can also be used to diagnose brain disorders and to track their progression.

Neural computation is a new and rapidly growing field of study with the potential to revolutionize our understanding of the brain and to lead to new

treatments for brain disorders. The future of neural computation is bright, and it is likely to have a major impact on our lives in the years to come.

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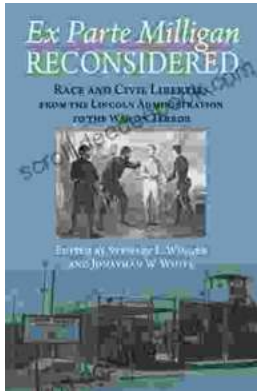
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