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IEEE TUCSON SECTION MEETING AN OVERVIEW OF NEURAL NETWORKS

Date: Wednesday, November 30, 2005, 6:00 P.M.

Speaker: Dr. Brad Morantz

Place: AME S202, NE of Speedway and Mountain

We hear so much about neural networks, but what are they and what do they do? When do we use them? Where can we find one? Then what is an artificial Neural Network, and what is it good for? We hear it associated with artificial intelligence or AI. Is it really intelligent? Will it take over our planet? Will it change our lives?

Dr. Morantz has degrees in Electrical Engineering, Computer and Information Systems, and (Mathematical) Decision Science, as well as additional course work in Computer Science and Computational BioScience. He is currently staff scientist and senior member of the technical staff at SAIC. He has worked in defense, biomedical, consumer, and automotive electronics.

Dr. Morantz has published in the realm of neural networks and intelligent data analysis, with his most recent pub a chapter on automated anomaly detection in the Encyclopedia of Data Mining. He is currently back at work on time series forecasting using a weighted window neural network, a process which he developed.

Dr. Morantz is a senior member of the IEEE.

Conferences Coming to Tucson

The 32nd Annual Applied Reliability Testing Institute will be held in Tucson on May 8-11, 2006. It provides information on how to implement and manage the Design-for-Reliabilty process through testing. For course information on either, details, and registration fees, see:

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Tucson Section Meeting Wednesday, November 30, 2005 6:00 PM, at the U of A AME S202

(Northeast of Speedway and Mountain – Parking available East of the AME building after 5 P.M.)

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