

## Project 4

### for NeuroComputing/Theoretical Neuroscience 2016

This assignment is due on Monday, April 4 by email to [NeuroCompDal@gmail.com](mailto:NeuroCompDal@gmail.com).

1. Extend the program `maze` example from the manuscript to the full T-Maze of Figure 1.1. Solve this maze with dynamic programming and TD learning, and discuss the experiments and the difference in these approaches.
2. Modify the program `dnf.m` to simulate two simultaneous inputs with the same strength at  $1/4 \text{ nn}$  and  $3/4 \text{ nn}$  and observe the network activity. Change the strength of one input and discuss the results. Include a plot of the time evolution of the neural field in your report as well as your brief discussion of the results when varying the relative strength of the inputs.

#### **Additional question for CSCI 6508:**

3. Modify the program `som.m` to show a learning curve. To do this, define the distance between the cortical map after learning for a certain number of trials of previous maps. Report your definition of distance and the corresponding learning curve in your report.