CIS6930/4930 Intro to Computational Neuroscience Fall 2008 Home Work Assignment 1: Due Tuesday 09/16/07 before class

All solutions have to be written using Latex. If you do not have experience with Latex, check out the source file for this homework. A link has been provided in the class page. Store your file as *answer.tex* and to get the pdf file simply run:

\$ pdflatex answer.tex

This will create the file answer.pdf

For each of the four papers noted on the class web-page, write a *one page* critique (in 11 pt, fullpage format). Note that the critique is for future use as a reminder to what is in the paper. Make sure you address the following.

- 1. A succinct description of what the result of the paper is.
- 2. What in your opinion is the advance reported in this paper.
- 3. Why did the authors use this experimental paradigm? Could it be improved?
- 4. Are there any weaknesses to the paper?
- 5. Are there potential perspectives where the same results could be interpreted differently?
- 6. Interesting papers referenced in the bibliography that you need to read.