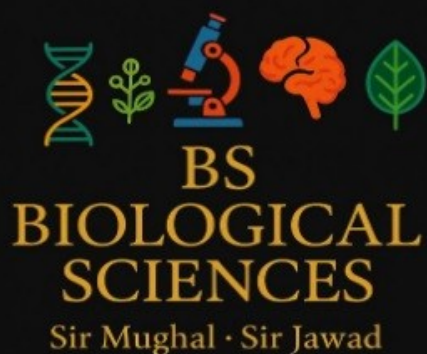




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Lesson 1:

1. **During early human history, natural resources were mainly used to:**
 - A) Build computers
 - B) Provide food and shelter
 - C) Perform natural computing
 - D) Create artificial intelligence
2. **Understanding the physical laws of motion and gravity helped humans to:**
 - A) Study neural networks
 - B) Design aircrafts
 - C) Create cellular automata
 - D) Develop swarm intelligence
3. **Natural computing is an interdisciplinary field that connects:**
 - A) Physics and chemistry
 - B) Computer science and natural sciences
 - C) Literature and computer science
 - D) Biology and history
4. **The main idea of natural computing is that:**
 - A) Computers can replace humans in all tasks
 - B) Information processing is a natural process
 - C) Nature has no connection to computing
 - D) Computing is only artificial
5. **Which of the following is NOT one of the three approaches of natural computing?**
 - A) Computing inspired by nature
 - B) Simulation and emulation of natural phenomenon in computers
 - C) Computing with natural materials
 - D) Computing without algorithms
6. **In “computing inspired by nature,” which of the following is considered an example of nature as inspiration?**
 - A) Quantum computing
 - B) Classical mechanics
 - C) Neural computation
 - D) Cloud computing
7. **Which of the following is NOT an example of nature -inspired computing techniques?**
 - A) Evolutionary computation
 - B) Swarm intelligence
 - C) Immuno-computing
 - D) Object-oriented programming
8. **“Simulation and emulation of natural phenomenon in computers” falls under which type of natural computing approach?**

- A) Computing inspired by nature
- B) Computing with natural materials
- C) **Simulation approach**
- D) Artificial intelligence

9. Membrane computing is an example of:

- A) **Nature as inspiration**
- B) Classical computation
- C) Quantum computing
- D) Cloud-based computation

Lesson 2:

1. One of the main motivations for studying natural computing is:

- A) To replace computers entirely with nature
- B) **To understand natural processes and develop novel systems**
- C) To ignore life processes
- D) To increase the use of fossil fuels

2. Natural computing products are already available in:

- A) Only scientific laboratories
- B) **Computers, washing machines, toys, trains, air conditioning, and other devices**
- C) Only space research
- D) Ancient books

3. Observing natural phenomena has historically helped humans to:

- A) Create laws of finance
- B) **Devise theories about how nature works**
- C) Reduce the use of natural resources
- D) Stop the development of artifacts

4. Artifacts such as airplanes, submarines, and chemicals used in pharmaceuticals were developed by:

- A) Pure guesswork
- B) **Taking inspiration from natural phenomena and organisms**
- C) Random experimentation
- D) Studying only computer algorithms

5. Natural computing is useful for understanding life processes because it allows:

- A) Creation of virtual reality games only
- B) **Development of highly abstract models of nature**
- C) Avoidance of studying biology
- D) Reduction in computer use

6. Sometimes natural computing techniques aim to be:

- A) Purely industrial tools
- B) **Theoretical models of nature providing insights into how nature works**

- C) Entertainment gadgets
- D) Military weapons only

7. Which of the following is an example of natural inspiration for artifact design?

- A) Bats inspiring sonar systems
- B) Coins inspiring aircraft
- C) Rivers inspiring washing machine
- D) Mountains inspiring toys

8. Supporting research in natural computing is important because:

- A) NC products are already obsolete
- B) It contributes to better understanding of nature and development of innovative technologies
- C) Nature has no relation with computing
- D) It reduces computer efficiency

Lesson 3:

1. The Natural Computing age is characterized by:

- A) A focus on classical physics only
- B) Increasing interaction and similarity between computing and nature
- C) Rejection of computers in scientific studies
- D) Avoiding the study of natural processes

2. Which of the following is an example of natural clustering phenomena?

- B) Clustering of dead bodies in ant colonies
- C) Computers recalculating spreadsheets
- D) Cars driving autonomously

3. Observing birds flocking in the sky often leads to the assumption that:

- A) Birds follow a random pattern
- B) Birds never interact
- C) Birds fly only at night
- D) Birds follow a leader in front of the flock

4. The basic rules to model ant clustering behavior are :

- A) Leader-following and scattering rules
- B) Pick up rule and dropping rule
- C) Movement rule and rest rule
- D) Attraction rule and repulsion rule

Lesson 4:

1. Natural computing approaches often use:

- A) Exact, highly detailed natural mechanisms
- B) Random guesses
- C) Highly simplified versions of natural mechanisms
- D) Only digital simulations

2. Simplifications in natural computing are necessary to:

- A) Avoid studying natural phenomena
- B) **Make computation with a large number of entities feasible**
- C) Eliminate the need for rules
- D) Focus solely on entertainment

3. Creating suitable abstractions in NC helps to:

- A) **Simplify a system while keeping essential features**
- B) Remove all important features
- C) Make natural systems more complex
- D) Avoid solving any problem

4. Simple behavioral rules of insects can be sufficient for:

- A) Creating video games
- B) **Development of computational tools for solving combinatorial problems**
- C) Understanding classical mechanics only
- D) Avoiding computation

Lesson 5:

1. The three main branches of natural computing are:

- A) Neural networks, quantum computing, AI
- B) Classical mechanics, chemistry, biology
- C) Object-oriented programming, AI, robotics
- D) **Computing inspired by nature, simulation/emulation of nature, computing with natural Materials**

2. Computing inspired by nature is successful in solving:

- A) Only trivial problems
- B) **Complex problems, motivated by the urge for survival in living organisms**
- C) Problems unrelated to nature
- D) Only financial problems

3. Simulation and emulation of nature in computers aim to:

- A) **Provide tools for synthesizing and studying natural phenomena, testing theories not easily testable otherwise**
- B) Replace real experiments entirely
- C) Only create artificial life games
- D) Avoid studying biological processes

4. Two main approaches for simulation and emulation of nature are:

- A) DNA computing and RNA computing
- B) **Artificial life and fractal geometry of nature**
- C) Neural networks and evolutionary computation
- D) Quantum physics and classical mechanics

5. **Computing with natural materials aims to:**
- A) Replace silicon-based computers with alternative natural materials
 - B) Avoid using computers entirely
 - C) Simplify computer programming only
 - D) Study birds and ants
6. **Examples of alternative computing materials include:**
- A) Wood and metals
 - B) Only silicon
 - C) Membranes, DNA, RNA, and quantum systems
 - D) Plastic and glass

Lesson 6:

1. **Computing inspired by nature is also called:**
- A) Quantum computing
 - B) Bio-inspired or biologically motivated computing
 - C) Classical computing
 - D) Mechanical computing
2. **Artificial neural networks originated from the model of:**
- A) Artificial neurons
 - B) Artificial chromosomes
 - C) Chemical reactions
 - D) Swarm robots
3. **Evolutionary computing emerged in the:**
- A) 1920s
 - B) 1990s
 - C) 2000s
 - D) Mid 1960
4. **Genetic Algorithms, Evolution Strategies, and Genetic Programming are types of:**
- A) Quantum algorithms
 - B) Evolutionary algorithms
 - C) Neural networks
 - D) Immune responses
5. **The term "swarm intelligence" was coined in:**
- A) Late 1980s
 - B) 1920
 - C) 2005
 - D) Early 1800s
6. **Artificial Immune Systems (AIS) are inspired by:**
- A) Human heart
 - B) Human skeleton

- C) Human immune system
- D) Human skin

Lesson7:

1. Simulation and emulation of nature are mainly aimed at:

- A) Destroying natural systems
- B) Designing only robots
- C) Replacing mathematics
- D) Synthesizing natural phenomena and patterns

2. Two main approaches in simulating nature are:

- A) Robots and circuits
- B) Artificial life and fractal geometry
- C) Viruses and bacteria
- D) Genes and proteins

3. Fractals are:

- A) Perfect smooth shapes
- B) Only biological cells
- C) Rough or fragmented shapes that repeat at smaller scales
- D) Straight lines

4. A common example of fractals in nature is:

- A) Wheels
- B) Ferns and coastlines
- C) Cars
- D) Buildings

5. Artificial life (A-Life) studies:

- A) Life-like behaviors synthesized in computers or machines
- B) Only real animals
- C) Only DNA sequences
- D) Geological patterns

Lesson 8:

1. Computing with natural materials uses substances other than:

- A) Gold
- B) Wood
- C) Iron
- D) Silicon

2. DNA computing was proposed by:

- A) Watson
- B) Alan Turing

C) **Leonard Adleman**

D) Newton

3. DNA computing is powerful mainly because of:

A) Expensive hardware

B) **Massively parallel computation**

C) Slow processing

D) Limited memory

4. Quantum computers operate using:

A) Classical physics

B) Newtonian mechanics

C) **Laws of quantum mechanics**

D) Magnetic poles only

Lesson 10 & 11:

1. Modeling is important because:

A) It complicates scientific work

B) **It helps understand complex systems using simplifications**

C) It replaces mathematics

D) It removes natural rules

2.

According to Trappenberg, models are:

A) Exact replicas of nature

B) Physical objects

C) Random guesses

D) **Abstractions of real-world systems**

3.

Feature selection is used to:

A) **Reduce dimensionality and improve performance**

B) Increase noise

C) Slow down the model

D) Add unnecessary features

4. A metaphor is used to:

A) Remove meaning

B) **Transfer meaning from one thing to another**

C) Describe only physical objects

D) Replace computing

5. "Artificial neural network" is a metaphor based on:

A) Human lungs

B) Human heart

C) Human bones

D) **Human brain**

Lesson 12:

1. **The first step of Natural Computing development usually involves:**

- A) Writing a program directly
- B) Removing natural features
- C) **Observing nature or natural models for inspiration**
- D) Only testing algorithms

2. **The immune system metaphor is commonly used in:**

- A) Game development
- B) **Computer security**
- C) Graphic design
- D) Database creation

3. **A major problem with taking metaphors from nature is:**

- A) **It is difficult to understand how nature truly works**
- B) Nature is simple
- C) Humans rarely observe nature
- D) Computers are faster

4. **Artificial neural networks are inspired by:**

- A) Circulatory system
- B) Nervous system Human bones
- C) Digestive system
- D) **Nervous system**

5. **Evolutionary algorithms were inspired by:**

- A) Classical mathematics
- B) **Evolutionary biology**
- C) Astronomy
- D) Geometry

Lesson 13:

1. **The word “agent” comes from the Latin word meaning:**

- A) To sleep
- B) To destroy
- C) To create
- D) **To do**

2. **In computer science, an agent refers to:**

- A) Only a physical robot
- B) **A software entity that perceives and acts**
- C) Only a human operator
- D) A hardware device

3. **Which is NOT a property of agents?**

- A) Autonomy

- B) Pro-activeness
- C) Social ability
- D) Immortality

4. Agents acting without direct user control represent:

- A) Autonomy
- B) Pro-activeness
- C) Competitiveness
- D) Intelligence

5. Agent-Based Models (ABM) can:

- A) Never show complex behavior
- B) Only simulate hardware
- C) Show complex behavior from simple rules
- D) Be used only in biology

6. The ultimate objective of Artificial Intelligence is:

- A) Creating random programs
- B) Building agents that behave intelligently
- C) Designing only databases
- D) Eliminating human input

Lesson 14:

1. Parallel processing in nature can be seen in:

- A) Isolated animals
- B) Insect societies
- C) Rocks
- D) Planets

2. In a colony of ants, different tasks are performed:

- A) Only by the queen
- B) Only by male ants
- C) Only during night
- D) In parallel and sometimes switched when needed

3. Distributed computing means:

- A) memory Each processor has its own private memory
- B) All processors share the same memory
- C) No communication between processors
- D) One processor controls all others

4. Parallel computing means:

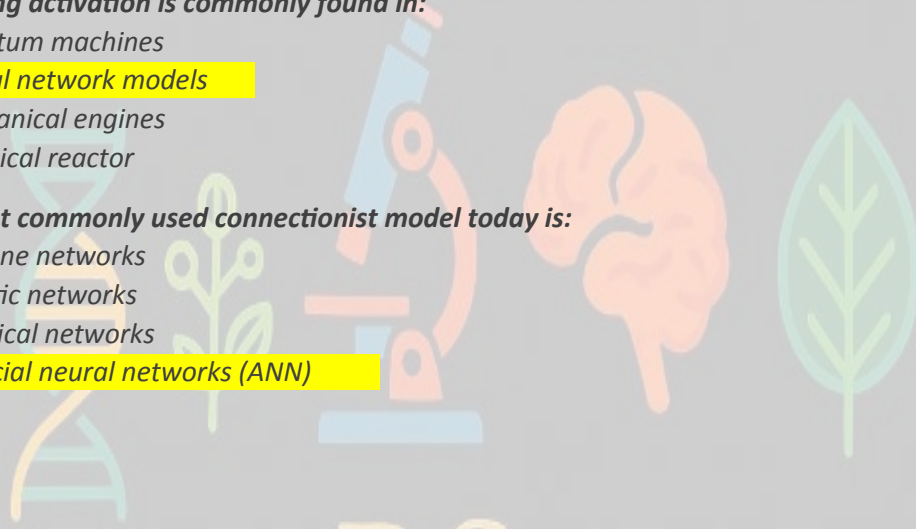
- A) No shared memory
- B) Only one processor active
- C) Shared memory accessible by all processors
- D) No communication allowed

Lesson 15:

1. **A key feature of natural systems is:**
 - A) No interaction
 - B) **Interaction among agents and environment**
 - C) Random isolation
 - D) No dependency
2. **Evolution favors individuals who:**
 - A) Avoid reproduction
 - B) Are less adapted to their environment
 - C) **Are more adapted and produce more offspring**
 - D) Avoid competition
3. **Interactive computing means the software:**
 - A) **Requires human input during execution**
 - B) Does not take human input
 - C) Runs only offline
 - D) Works only in batch mode
4. **HCI stands for:**
 - A) **Human Computer Interaction**
 - B) High Communication Input
 - C) Human Control Interface
 - D) Hybrid Computing Integration
5. **Compilers and batch programs are examples of:**
 - A) Interactive programs
 - B) Social systems
 - C) Biological models
 - D) **Non-interactive programs**

Lesson 16:

1. **Connectionist systems represent information through:**
 - A) Single isolated units
 - B) Magnetic tapes
 - C) **Distributed nodes and connections**
 - D) DNA molecules
2. **The term "connectionism" became popular in the:**
 - A) 1920s
 - B) **Mid-1980s**
 - C) 1700s
 - D) 2010s

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3. **A key feature of connectionist systems is:**
- A) **Units interact only if linked by connections**
 - B) All units interact freely
 - C) No need for connections
 - D) Only one unit is active
4. **Spreading activation is commonly found in:**
- A) Quantum machines
 - B) **Neural network models**
 - C) Mechanical engines
 - D) Chemical reactor
5. **The most commonly used connectionist model today is:**
- A) Immune networks
 - B) Genetic networks
 - C) Chemical networks
 - D) **Artificial neural networks (ANN)**

Lesson17:

1. **Stigmergy refers to:**
- A. Direct communication between agents
 - B. **Indirect coordination through the environment**
 - C. Communication through speech
 - D. Centralized control
2. **The term Stigmergy was coined by:**
- A. Alan Turing
 - B. John Holland
 - C. **Pierre-Paul Grasse**
 - D. Darwin
3. **Stigmergy is mostly seen in:**
- A. Human societies
 - B. Computer networks
 - C. **Termite colonies**
 - D. Aquatic life
4. **Stigmergy produces complex structures without:**
- A. Self-organization
 - B. Environment
 - C. Agents
 - D. **Planning or direct communication**

Lesson 18:

1. **Adaptation refers to:**
 - A. Random changes
 - B. Traits helping organisms survive
 - C. Only physical changes
 - D. Human-made change
2. **Desert plants with thick stems represent:**
 - A. Behavioral adaptation
 - B. Genetic drift
 - C. Structural adaptation
 - D. Mutation
3. **Animal migration is an example of:**
 - A. Structural adaptation
 - B. Behavioral adaptation
 - C. Mutation
 - D. Evolution

Lesson 18-20:

1. **Microevolution refers to:**
 - A. Origin of new species
 - B. Major evolutionary changes
 - C. Small changes within a type
 - D. Extinction
2. **Dog breeding is an example of:**
 - A. Natural selection
 - B. Artificial selection
 - C. Macroevolution
 - D. Mutation
3. **Dog breeding is an example of:**
 - A. Natural selection
 - B. Artificial selection
 - C. Macroevolution
 - D. Mutation
4. **Macroevolution involves:**
 - A. Small variations
 - B. Horizontal changes
 - C. No genetic change
 - D. Formation of new types of organisms
5. **Natural selection works on:**
 - A. Genetic variation

- B. Learned behaviors
- C. Environmental temperature only
- D. Non-living things

6. A beneficial mutation will:

- A. Disappear immediately
- B. Spread in the population
- C. Stop evolution
- D. Harm all organisms

7. "Survival of the fittest" means:

- A. Strongest survives
- B. Fastest survives
- C. Best adapted survives
- D. Largest survives

Lesson 21:

1. Feedback refers to:

- A. Input given to a computer
- B. Portion of output returned to input
- C. Only positive responses
- D. Noise in a system

2. Type of feedback that stabilizes a system:

- A. Positive feedback
- B. Neutral feedback
- C. Zero feedback
- D. Negative feedback

3. Brain activity involves:

- A. Single neuron
- B. No feedback
- C. Large feedback loops of neural circuits
- D. No synapses

4. Repeating neural circuits contribute to:

- A. Learning
- B. Forgetting
- C. Sleep
- D. Breathing

Lesson 22:

1. Negative feedback works by:

- A. Increasing the original stimulus
- B. Reversing the original stimulus

- C. Amplifying system output
- D. Causing instability

2. Most feedback systems in the human body are:

- A. Positive
- B. Random
- C. Neutral
- D. Negative

3. The thermostat is an example of:

- A. No feedback
- B. Positive feedback
- C. Negative feedback
- D. Mechanical feedback

4. Negative feedback controls a process to:

- A. Avoid accumulation of a product
- B. Accelerate it nonstop
- C. Destroy the system
- D. Increase instability

5. Blood glucose regulation after a meal is controlled by:

- A. Positive feedback
- B. Negative feedback
- C. No change
- D. Mutation

6. When blood pressure increases, baroreceptors cause vessels to:

- A. Constrict
- B. Stop functioning
- C. Shrink
- D. Dilate

Lesson 24:

1. Self-organization refers to:

- A. Patterns created by central control
- B. Patterns formed spontaneously without external control
- C. Random arrangements
- D. Human-made structures only

2. Which one is an example of self-organization?

- A. Cloud formation
- B. DNA mutation
- C. Aging
- D. Melting ice

3. **14. Self-organization emerges from:**

- A. A single powerful controller
- B. Government rules
- C. No interactions
- D. **Simple local interactions**

4. **15. The flocking of birds is an example of:**

- A. Negative feedback
- B. Chaos
- C. **Self-organization**
- D. Structural adaptation

5. **16. Self-organization can influence:**

- A. Only behavior
- B. Only physical structure
- C. **Both behavior and physical patterns**
- D. Only chemical reactions

6. **17. Pattern formation refers to:**

- A. Disorder in systems
- B. **Organized arrangement in space or time**
- C. Random selection
- D. Mutation only

Lesson 25:

1. **Self-organization refers to:**

- A. Externally controlled ordering
- B. Random behavior in systems
- C. **Spontaneous ordering in complex systems**
- D. Ordering caused by a leader

2. **A key feature of self-organized systems is:**

- A. Very few interacting elements
- B. **Large number of interacting elements**
- C. No interaction between elements
- D. Interaction only with humans

3. **Self-organized systems require:**

- A. **Continual dynamic interactions**
- B. Static components
- C. No feedback
- D. External command

4. **The overall pattern that appears in a self-organized system is called:**

- A. Noise
- B. **Emergent property**

- C. Random drift
- D. Direct command

5. Non-linearity in SOS means:

- A. Output is equal to the sum of inputs
- B. Simple addition of behaviors
- C. New properties arise from interactions
- D. No change occurs

6. Which of the following is true about SOS (Self-Organized Systems)?

- A. They are always simple
- B. They cannot be complex
- C. They avoid rules
- D. They can be complex

7. Dead-body clustering in ant colonies demonstrates that SOS are:

- A. Rule-based
- B. Leader-driven
- C. Random
- D. Non-interactive

8. What contributes to the formation and regulation of self-organized processes?

- A. Only positive feedback
- B. Only negative feedback
- C. Feedback loops (positive + negative)
- D. No feedback at all

9. In self-organized systems, patterns form due to:

- A. Centralized control
- B. External algorithms
- C. Local interactions among components
- D. Human instructions

10. Complexity in SOS refers to:

- A. Systems where many simple parts create complex behavior
- B. Systems that are easy to predict
- C. Systems with no interactions
- D. Systems with zero feedback

Lesson 26:

1. Which statement is TRUE about self-organization?

- A. It is the only way patterns form in nature
- B. It never involves other mechanisms
- C. Many natural patterns may involve other mechanisms like genetic encoding
- D. It replaces all other pattern-forming processes

2. Which of the following is an alternative to self-organization?

- A. Random movement
- B. Following a leader
- C. Spontaneous pattern growth
- D. Emergent behavior

3. Following a leader means:

- A. Every agent creates its own rules
- B. A well-informed individual directs the entire group
- C. No instructions are given
- D. The pattern forms automatically

4. A blueprint is:

- A. A random drawing used for decoration
- B. A full-sized mold
- C. A compact representation of spatial/temporal relationships
- D. A chemical signal

5. An example of a blueprint is:

- A. Ants clustering bodies
- B. A captain giving commands
- C. A musician receiving a musical score
- D. A baby crying

6. A recipe refers to:

- A. A mold used to shape raw material
- B. A sequence of steps an individual must follow
- C. A leadership structure
- D. A random set of actions

7. Following a recipe means:

- A. Each member follows a sequential set of actions
- B. Everyone acts randomly
- C. A leader controls the actions
- D. A template forms the pattern

8. Templates are

- A. Full-sized guides or molds used to shape a final pattern
- B. Random structures found in nature
- C. Genetic codes
- D. Improvised plans

9. Which is an example of a template?

- A. Streets you follow to reach a place
- B. A musical score
- C. A captain directing troops
- D. A mold used to shape car parts

10. Which alternative involves detailed instructions from one individual?

- A. Template
- B. Recipe
- C. Blueprint
- D. Following a leader

Lesson 27:

1. A complex system is best described as a system that has:

- A) Few components with simple interactions
- B) Many interacting components with nonlinear behavior
- C) Components that never interact
- D) Linear and predictable behavior

2. Complex systems usually exhibit:

- a) Random disorganization
- b) perfect predictability
- c) Self-organization
- d) No interaction between parts

3. To study complex systems, they are often represented as:

- a) Arrays
- b) Networks
- c) Loops
- d) Single equations

4. In a network representation of a complex system, the nodes represent:

- a) Environment
- b) Interactions
- c) Components
- d) Noise

5. Which of the following is NOT an example of a complex system?

- a) Human brain
- b) Ecosystem
- c) A simple calculator
- d) Earth's climate

6. Can we fully understand the human body by only studying its major systems?

- a) Yes
- b) No
- c) Sometimes
- d) only the nervous system

7. Studying all cells and molecules of an organism is:

- 8. a) Enough to understand the whole system
- b) Still not enough to understand it

- c) A complete explanation
- d) not related to complexity

9. The behavior of a complex system cannot be understood by:

- a) Studying all interactions
- b) **examining component parts alone**
- c) Considering the environment
- d) looking at its network

10. Complexity studies show that understanding a system requires:

- a) Only knowing internal organization
- b) Only knowing environmental factors
- c) **Understanding both internal structure and interactions with environment**
- d) Ignoring interactions

11. To explore natural complexity, one must focus on:

- a) Very low levels of detail only
- b) Very high levels of detail only
- c) **The right level of description**
- d) No level of description

12. In natural computing, the preferred descriptions are:

- a) Very detailed physical models
- b) **Higher-level descriptions**
- c) Randomly chosen levels
- d) Purely chemical models

13. Most systems in natural computing

- a) Exact copies of biological systems
- b) Unrelated to biology
- c) **Highly abstract biological models**
- d) Not influenced by nature

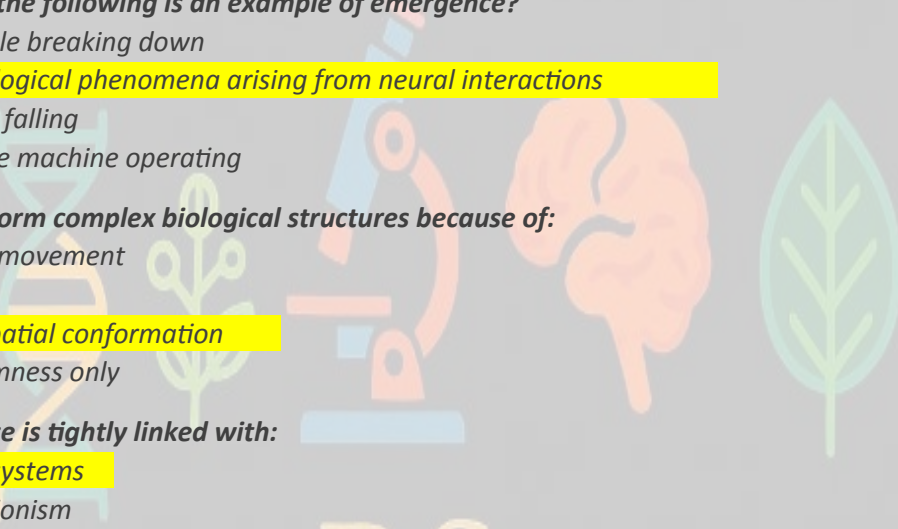
Lesson 28:

1. Emergence refers to the phenomenon where:

- a) Smaller entities lose their properties
- b) Nothing new is formed
- c) Only physical properties change
- d) **Larger entities arise with new properties not present at lower levels**

2. Emergence plays a central role in:

- a) Classical mechanics
- b) **Integrative levels and complex systems**
- c) Thermodynamics only
- d) Simple linear systems

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3. **Life as studied in biology is an emergent property of:**
- a) **Chemistry**
 - b) Physics
 - c) Mathematics
 - d) Geography
4. **Which of the following is an example of emergence?**
- a) Molecule breaking down
 - b) **Psychological phenomena arising from neural interactions**
 - c) A stone falling
 - d) a simple machine operating
5. **Proteins form complex biological structures because of:**
- a) Simple movement
 - b) Gravity
 - c) **Their spatial conformation**
 - d) Randomness only
6. **Emergence is tightly linked with:**
- a) **Complex systems**
 - b) Reductionism
 - c) Linear equations
 - d) Isolated particles
7. **In emergent systems, agents working at one level:**
- a) Produce behaviors at the same level
 - b) **Produce behaviors at a higher scale**
 - c) Do not interact
 - d) Cancel each other out
8. **The movement from low-level rules to high-level behavior is called:**
- a) Reduction
 - b) **Emergence**
 - c) Dissolution
 - d) Abstraction

Lesson 29:

1. **Reductionism attempts to explain phenomena by:**
- a) Using higher-level models only
 - b) studying only the whole
 - c) Ignoring constituent parts
 - d) **reducing them to simpler, fundamental parts**
2. **"Pain is nothing but neuron firing" is an example of:**
- a) Emergence
 - b) **Reductionism**

- c) Dualism
- d) Humanism

3. In science, reductionism explains entire systems based on:

- a) Whole-system behavior only
- b) Social theories
- c) **Their constituent parts and interactions**
- d) External appearance

4. Temperature of a gas explained as “average kinetic energy of molecules” is an example of:

- a) Systems theory
- b) Emergence
- c) **Reductionism**
- d) Idealism

5. Which scientists strongly rely on reductionism?

- a) **Physicists, chemists, biologists**
- b) Historians
- c) Astrologers
- d) Poets

6. Biologists use reductionism when they:

- a) Study whole species only
- b) **Scrutinize DNA sequences to understand organisms**
- c) Analyze stars
- d) Ignore molecular structure

7. A key idea in reductionism is:

- a) **Questions can be answered at the constituent level**
- b) Complex systems cannot be broken down
- c) The whole is always more than its parts
- d) Smaller entities do not matter

Lesson 30:

1. A top-down approach mainly involves:

- a) Combining small units to form larger systems
- b) **Breaking a system into smaller sub-systems**
- c) Ignoring system structure
- d) Random system analysis

2. A bottom-up approach is best described as:

- a) Reverse engineering a system
- b) Decomposing a system step-by-step
- c) **Building complex systems from simpler components**
- d) Predicting outcomes from initial conditions

Correct answer: c

3. **Another name for the top-down approach is:**

- a) **Stepwise design**
- b) Chaos
- c) Emergence
- d) Reduction

4. **Lesson 31:**

5. **Determinism is the belief that:**

- a) Events occur randomly without cause
- b) A set of conditions can produce multiple outcomes
- c) **Every event has a cause and leads to only one possible outcome**
- d) Nature is unpredictable

6. **Which group believes humans cannot affect their lives in any way?**

- a) **Fatalists**
- b) Determinists
- c) Reductionists
- d) Chaos theorists

7. **The main characteristic of a deterministic system is:**

- a) Stability
- b) **Predictability**
- c) Randomness
- d) Inconsistency

8. **According to determinism, all events are:**

- a) Independent
- b) Unrelated to nature's laws
- c) Without any patterns
- d) **Caused by sufficient prior conditions**

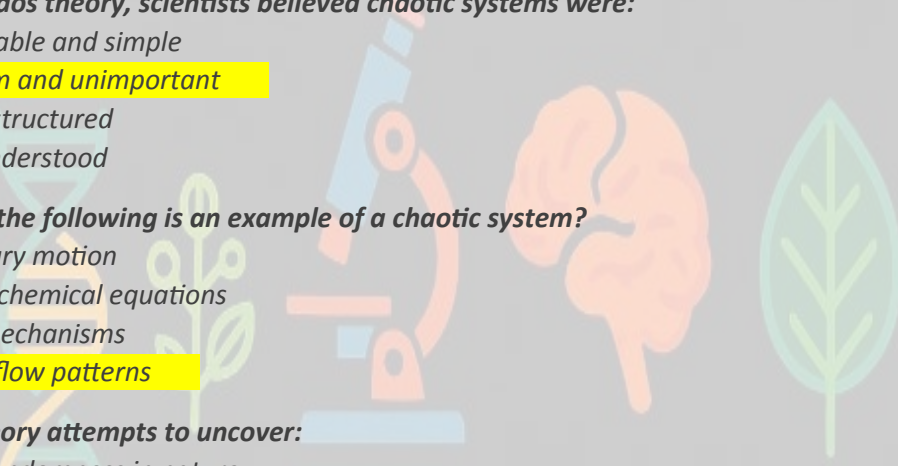
9. **Chaos theory caused:**

- a) Stronger link between determinism and predictability
- b) **A separation between determinism and predictability**
- c) End of scientific explanation
- d) Complete removal of causation

Lesson 32:

1. **Chaos theory mainly studies:**

- a) Linear and predictable systems
- b) Completely random phenomena
- c) **Nonlinear systems highly sensitive to initial conditions**
- d) Equilibrium in nature

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2. The “butterfly effect” refers to:
- a) Small changes causing large effects
 - b) Systems with no measurable changes
 - c) Large causes leading to small effects
 - d) Predictable behavior of natural systems
3. Before chaos theory, scientists believed chaotic systems were:
- a) Predictable and simple
 - b) Random and unimportant
 - c) Highly structured
 - d) Well understood
4. Which of the following is an example of a chaotic system?
- a) Planetary motion
 - b) Simple chemical equations
 - c) Clock mechanisms
 - d) Traffic flow patterns
5. Chaos theory attempts to uncover:
- a) Total randomness in nature
 - b) Deterministic laws of linear systems
 - c) Statistical patterns hidden in seemingly random processes
 - d) Only astronomical phenomena

Lesson 33:

1. The word “fractal” refers to shapes that are:
- a) Perfectly smooth
 - b) Regular and geometric
 - c) Irregular, fragmented, jagged
 - d) Always circular
2. A fractal is:
- a) A simple repeating number
 - b) A never-ending, self-similar complex pattern
 - c) A 2D straight-line shape
 - d) Only an artistic pattern
3. Fractal geometry studies:
- a) Irregular patterns similar to the whole
 - b) Perfectly regular shapes
 - c) Only triangles and circles
 - d) Only man-made structures
4. Fractals are commonly found in:
- a) Clouds and rivers
 - b) Squares and rectangles

- c) Ladders
- d) Mechanical gears

Lesson 34:

1. **A model is:**
 - a) An exact copy of reality
 - b) A simplified representation of reality
 - c) A random guess
 - d) A physical device only
2. **Models are useful for:**
 - a) Decoration
 - b) Entertainment
 - c) Forecasting, simulation, diagnostics
 - d) None
3. **Physiological models can be classified as:**
 - a) Black, white, grey box
 - b) Linear only
 - c) Regular and irregular
 - d) Only static
4. **Which of the following is not a purpose of modeling?**
 - a) Prediction
 - b) Design
 - c) Diagnostics
 - d) making systems more complex

Lesson 35:

1. **The process of forming a hypothesis based on observations is called:**
 - a) Deduction
 - b) Induction
 - c) Abduction
 - d) Translation
2. **A system is defined as:**
 - a) A single object only
 - b) A collection of interconnected processes
 - c) Always a physical machine
 - d) Something without inputs
3. **A model represents:**
 - a) Approximate behavior of a real system
 - b) Random data

- c) The exact laws of nature
- d) Only physical systems

4. The two most important variables in system modeling are:

- a) Heat and sound
- b) Height and width
- c) Mass and weight
- d) **Input and output**

Lesson 36:

1. High precision means:

- a) Close to true value
- b) Correct without error
- c) Both accurate and correct
- d) **Results are consistent with each other**

2. Physiological modeling begins with:

- a) Guessing blindly
- b) **Experimental observations**
- c) Computer programming
- d) Human opinions

3. If a model fails accuracy tests, we must:

- a) **Ignore the data**
- b) Stop modeling
- c) **Refine the model and run new experiments**
- d) Change the output

4. The model is accepted only when:

- a) **It matches data adequately**
- b) It looks nice
- c) It is very long
- d) It has many equations

Lesson 37:

1. Input of a system is:

- a) The result of the system
- b) **Information entering the system**
- c) Noise
- d) A random value

2. Output of a system is:

- a) **The signal after processing**
- b) The external environment
- c) Always voltage
- d) The same as input

3. **A major challenge in biological I/O measurement is:**

- a) Unlimited access to organs
- b) No effect on patient comfort
- c) Cheap equipment
- d) **Inaccessibility of crucial variables**

4. **Patient comfort mainly depends on:**

- a) The color of equipment
- b) **Level of invasiveness**
- c) Size of the room
- d) Duration of experiment

Lesson 38 & 39:

1. **Physiological system modeling dates back to:**

- a) 2000 AD
- b) **Ancient Greek philosophers**
- c) Only the 20th century
- d) Only after computers

2. **Alcmaeon of Croton believed the center of understanding was:**

- a) Heart
- b) Liver
- c) **Brain**
- d) Lungs

3. **Hodgkin and Huxley (1952) developed models for:**

- a) **Electrical activity of neurons**
- b) Kidney filtration
- c) Lung capacity
- d) Digestion

4. **Thales believed the basic substance of the universe was:**

- a) **Fire**
- b) Air
- c) **Water**
- d) Earth

5. **The four-element theory (water, earth, air, fire) was proposed by:**

- a) **Empedocles**
- b) Hippocrates
- c) Galen
- d) Anaximander

6. **Hippocrates' humoral theory stated humans contain:**

- a) Four elements
- b) **Four humors**

- c) Only blood
- d) Only bile

7. Galen emphasized:

- a) Perfect symmetry
- b) The importance of environment for survival
- c) That modeling is unnecessary
- d) That only the heart controls the body

Lesson 40:

1. The first known biomedical mathematical model was published by:

- a) Hodgkin & Huxley
- b) Krogh and Erlang
- c) Noble
- d) Wiggers

2. Hodgkin–Huxley model describes:

- a) Blood circulation
- b) Digestion
- c) Lung ventilation
- d) Cellular electrical activity

3. Hodgkin & Huxley received the Nobel Prize in:

- a) 1928
- b) 1952
- c) 1963
- d) 1990

4. The first cardiac Purkinje fiber model was presented by:

- a) Noble
- b) Krogh
- c) Wiggers
- d) Erlang

Lesson 41

1. Before digital computers, biomedical models were:

- a) Extremely accurate
- b) Oversimplified or hand-calculated
- c) Never used
- d) Fully automated

2. The major turning point in worldwide modeling collaboration was:

- a) Printing press
- b) Discovery of DNA
- c) The internet boom
- d) Discovery of antibiotics

3. Since the 1990s, the terms modeling & simulation became almost:

- a) **Synonymous**
- b) Opposites
- c) Irrelevant
- d) Prohibited

4. Modern models are more realistic because:

- a) They ignore data
- b) **They use grid computing & high computer power**
- c) They avoid programming
- d) They only use hand calculations

Lesson 42:

1. The **Physiome Project** was proposed to IUPS in:

- a) 1952
- b) **1993**
- c) 2006
- d) 2010

2. **Physiome** refers to:

- a) Only anatomy
- b) Only genome
- c) **Quantitative description of whole or organism function**
- d) Chemical reactions only

3. **Morphome** includes:

- a) **Anatomy, biochemical composition & material properties**
- b) Only psychology
- c) Only physiology
- d) Weather patterns

4. **Human physiome** is also called:

- a) **Virtual human**
- b) Artificial genome
- c) Bio-robot
- d) Meta-protein

Lesson 43:

1. The **Physiome Project** aims to model:

- a) Only molecules
- b) Only humans
- c) **Organisms from bacteria to man**
- d) Only plants

2. A major feature of the **Physiome Project** is:

- a) Hiding data

b) Databasing experimental observations

c) Eliminating computation

d) Reducing internet use

3. Physiomics deals with:

a) Integration of genome, proteome, metabolome in organisms

b) Only anatomy

c) Only proteins

d) Only mathematical formulas

4. Physiome Project data will be available through:

a) Private paid servers only

b) Internet public access

c) USB drives

d) Newspapers

Lesson 44:

1. The Physiome concept assumes biology is explainable through:

a) Religion

b) Magic

c) Physics and chemistry

d) Astrology

2. Vitalism is considered:

a) A historical belief

b) Essential for physiome

c) Modern science

d) A proven theory

3. Physiome explanations must be expressed as:

a) Stories

b) Emotional descriptions

c) Guesswork

d) Mathematical models

4. Physiome strategies must first satisfy:

a) Patients

b) Clinicians

c) Pure scientists

d) Journalists

Lesson 45:

1. Biology is described as:

a) Single-scale

b) Multiscale

- c) Non-scientific
- d) Purely molecular

2. Myocardial excitation depends on:

- a) Only genes
- b) Only proteins
- c) Cell fiber direction and cell-to-cell coupling
- d) Random factors

3. Stretching of cells affects:

- a) Hair growth
- b) Conductance channels & action potentials
- c) Bone density
- d) Memory

4. The Physiome Project is:

- a) A short-term project
- b) A temporary study
- c) A very long-term effort
- d) A finished project

Lesson 46:

1. Organs such as heart and lungs are:

- a) Simple
- b) Single-level
- c) Complex and multiscalar
- d) Not important

2. Modeling at organ and system levels uses:

- a) Poetry
- b) Paintings
- c) Astrology
- d) Differential equations

3. A major reward of physiome modeling is:

- a) Confusion
- b) Health improvement & understanding nature
- c) Entertainment
- d) Destroying data

4. The central physiological concept underlying Physiome is:

- a) Homeostasis
- b) Vitalism
- c) Chaos
- d) Randomness

Lesson 47:

1. **Physiome databases aim to cover:**
 - a) Only humans
 - b) Only microbes
 - c) All of biology
 - d) No living things
2. **The gene (4 letters) and amino acid (20 letters) alphabets:**
 - a) Are enough for physiome databases
 - b) Cannot serve as the full database backbone
 - c) Replace all physiological data
 - d) Are no longer used
3. **A complete individual physiome database includes:**
 - a) Only genome
 - b) Only diet patterns
 - c) Genome, proteome, morphome & physicochemical status
 - d) Only tissue images
4. **Functional models eventually aim to:**
 - a) Entertain users
 - b) Predict health issues
 - c) Replace doctors
 - d) Ignore physiology

Lesson 50:

1. **The last 50 years of molecular biology mainly provided:**
 - a) Full-body integration models
 - b) A detailed parts list for life
 - c) Clinical treatment plans
 - d) Engineering designs
2. **What helps integrate biological parts into whole -body understanding?**
 - a) Astrology
 - b) Philosophy alone
 - c) Mathematics, physics, computing, engineering
 - d) Guesswork
3. **Engineering contributes to biology by:**
 - a) Making drugs
 - b) Reducing cell growth
 - c) Eliminating lab experiments
 - d) Providing systematic, multiscale modelling
4. **Major diseases like cancer and neurological disorders are:**
 - a) Complex and multilevel
 - b) Only genetic

- c) Simple
- d) Entirely environmental

5. Integrating all biological components into computer models will help create :

- a) Entertainment apps
- b) **New therapies and diagnostic tools**
- c) Fashion trends
- d) Random predictions

6. Global research institutions are contributing to:

- a) Gaming technology
- b) Social media platforms
- c) **Online computational modelling of human biology**
- d) Weather forecasting only

7. The VPH/Physiome Project ultimately aims to build:

- a) A virtual robot
- b) **A virtual physiological human**
- c) Geological maps
- d) Space travel systems

8. The virtual physiological human will be:

- a) A standard generic model
- b) Only for hospitals
- c) Only for animals
- d) **A personalised 3-D model of each individual**

9. Clinicians will use virtual individuals to:

- a) Teach basic math's
- b) Play simulation games
- c) **Trial drugs and personalize medicine**
- d) Replace all surgeries

10. Virtual surgery allows clinicians to:

- a) Perform operations on robots
- b) **Predict outcomes before real surgery**
- c) Avoid medical practice
- d) Only treat skin diseases

Lesson 51 & 52:

1. Large scale biological modeling requires:

- a. Only one expert
- b. **Involvement of many lab groups**
- c. No collaboration
- d. Only computer scientists

2. The breadth of scientific knowledge from genomics to whole organism function means:

- a. One expert can cover everything
- b. everyone should work alone
- c. **No one can be expert in every aspect**
- d. everyone should work alone

3. Databasing systems and modeling projects are recommended for:

- a. Ending the Physiome Project
- b. Clinical trials only
- c. Entertainment purposes
- d. **initiating the Physiome Project**

4. According to Dao and Dewey (2000), databasing involves issues related to:

- a. **Semantics and technology of biology**
- b. Sports
- c. Only physics
- d. Only mathematics

5. Experimental data in large-scale modeling are:

- a. Optional
- b. Not required
- c. **Critical**
- d. Preventive

6. Subtargets within each area allow:

- a. No independence
- b. Fully independent modeling
- c. **Partially independent development**
- d. No collaboration

7. Breaking a system into small components helps because:

- a. It increases complexity
- b. **It minimizes interactions**
- c. It stops modeling
- d. It removes hierarchy

8. Modeling stages include all EXCEPT:

- a. Schema of relationships
- b. defining characteristics
- c. Quantitation of kinetics
- d. **Building random models**

9. Inputs and outputs of submodules are also called:

- a. Keys
- b. Gates

- c. Hooks
- d. Codes

10. The influence of one submodule on another is handled through:

- a. Hidden pathways
- b. These variables (inputs/outputs)
- c. Random links
- d. No connections

11. The original developer of a submodule is considered its:

- a. Destroyer
- b. Caretaker
- c. Competitor
- d. Owner without responsibility

12. Curation and maintenance of submodules require:

- a. No effort
- b. Another level of effort
- c. Stopping collaboration
- d. Only clinical knowledge

13. Distribution efforts require writing code that is:

- a. Proprietary only
- b. Hidden
- c. Encrypted
- d. Standard and accessible

14. Preparing test solutions helps new users:

- a. To verify correct implementation
- b. To avoid modeling
- c. To learn programming only
- d. To ignore errors

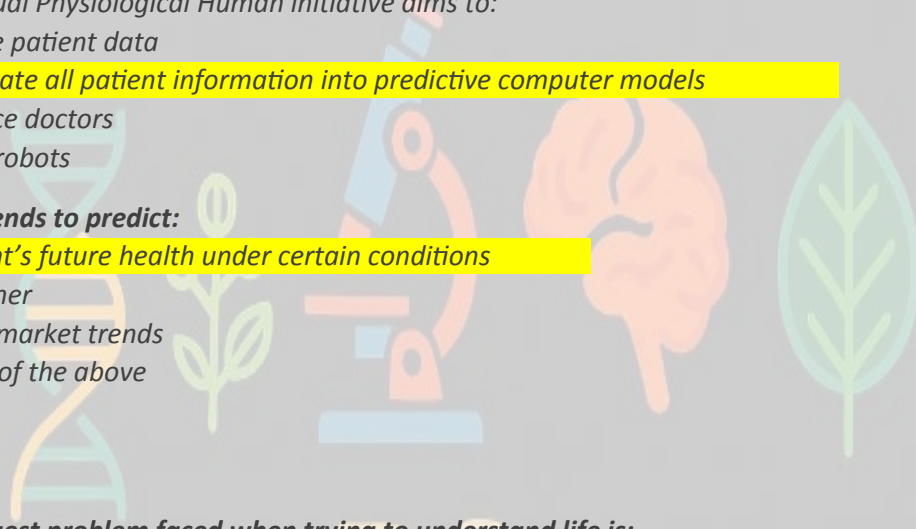
Lesson 53:

1. The VPH initiative mainly focuses on:

- a. Entertainment technology
- b. Personalised prediction and optimisation of treatment
- c. Designing new organs
- d. Space research

2. A major challenge in understanding the human body is:

- a. Lack of computers
- b. Poor lab equipment
- c. No medical knowledge
- d. Understanding how all components work together

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3. **Computer models today can simulate:**
- a. Only bones
 - b. Only digestion
 - c. A beating heart and its response to trauma
 - d. Only the nervous system
4. **The Virtual Physiological Human initiative aims to:**
- a. Delete patient data
 - b. Integrate all patient information into predictive computer models
 - c. Replace doctors
 - d. Build robots
5. **VPH intends to predict:**
- a. Patient's future health under certain conditions
 - b. Weather
 - c. Stock market trends
 - d. None of the above

Lesson 54:

1. **The biggest problem faced when trying to understand life is:**
- a. Lack of interest
 - b. Complexity
 - c. Expensive machinery
 - d. Too many researchers
2. **Dividing a complex problem into smaller parts is known as:**
- a. Evolution
 - b. Simulation
 - c. Reductionism
 - d. Mutation
3. **Reductionism worked for many years but now fails because:**
- a. Body parts have very little in common and work through interactions
 - b. Too many scientists
 - c. Computers stopped evolving
 - d. Cells became simpler
4. **The best hope for dealing with complexity in modern biology is:**
- a. More microscopes
 - b. Guesswork
 - c. Dissection
 - d. Computer simulations
5. **The complete model built using simulations of all body parts and interactions is called:**
- a. ATP
 - b. DNA sequence

c. VPH

d. MRI

6. **VPH represents a shift from personalised medicine to:**

a. Ancient medicine

b. artificial organs

c. Individualized medicine

d. Chemical medicine

Lesson 55:

1. **The Cardiovascular system is suitable for modeling because:**

a. It has no complexity

b. It has a long history of quantitative data

c. It is not important

d. It is small in size

2. **The Cardiome Project aims to build:**

a. A visualisable, interactive model of the normal heart

b. A robotic heart

c. A new surgery technique

d. Artificial blood

3. **The Cardiome describes:**

a. Only heart diseases

b. Only heart anatomy

c. functioning of the normal heart in quantitative, testable form

d. Only blood pressure

4. **The Cardiome Project is a:**

a. Single lab project

b. Large-scale multidisciplinary effort

c. One-person experiment

d. Short-term study

5. **Cardiome involves contributions from:**

a. Only cardiologist's

b. Only engineers

c. Physicians, computer scientists, pharmacologists, electrophysiologists, biomedical engineers

d. Only students

6. **The Cardiome covers fields such as:**

a. Transport in blood vessels

b. Electrophysiology

c. Metabolism

d. All of the above

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