Preface

The Science and Information (SAI) Organization (www.thesai.org) is an international professional organization dedicated to promoting research, technology, and development by providing multiple platforms for collaboration of professionals and researchers to share existing and generate new knowledge.

Each year, SAI is responsible for organizing its annual conference, Science and Information Conference. The conference brings together some of the most devoted minds in the industry to share ideas and showcase achievements. These conferences are a place for researchers to promote and defend their work based on its merits. In addition to giving researchers a place to present their findings and data, these conferences are also used to help increase public engagement with science and community. The keynote talks are published on YouTube for the general populous to view in order to gain understanding of some of the advancements that are taking place.

SAI Conference 2014 was an overwhelming success, attracting 190+ delegates, speakers, and sponsors from 50 countries and provided great intellectual and social interaction for the participants. The inspiring keynote speeches and the state-of-the-art lectures have deeply motivated attendees and envisioned future research directions.

The conference was held in London from August 27–29 in 2014. In this book, we have invited 25 of the main contributors to this conference in the domain of Intelligent Systems and Artificial Intelligence to expand on their presentations and represent their work as a book chapter. Selected papers were invited to extend and submit them for a complete new review process for consideration. The final decision for the inclusion in the special issue has been strictly based on the outcome of the review process. The objective of the special issue is to make available recent results and report in-progress research in the field of computational intelligence. We hope the reader interested in the field will find this book stimulating, leading to even more contributions to the next conference.
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