**Instruction:** Hand in your work in the mail box labeled INC691 by 4 pm. or submit it via email. DO NOT copy homework from your classmates or lend it to others. Anyone who violates this regulation will be given zero for the homework.



Figure 1: Single-input MLP

Consider the single-input MLP network in Figure 1. Find the weights  $W^1, W^2$  and bias values  $w_0^1, w_0^2$  required to approximate the function shown in Figure 2. Use the nntool of the *Neural Network Toolbox* for MATLAB to create a single-input sig-lin network, and check whether your weights really produce the output in Figure 2. The MATLAB data file approx.mat can be downloaded from the web site of this homework, which contains the input vector **phi** and the output vector **g\_phi** representing the function in Figure 2.

- 1. Type nntool in the MATLAB workspace.
- 2. Import the vector **phi** as *inputs* and the vector **g\_phi** as *target*.
- 3. Click New Network and choose Feed-forward backprop as network type. Get the input range from the input. Ignore training/learning/performance options, choose 2 layers with the appropriate activation functions and number of neurons. Click Create.
- 4. Click on your network in the *Networks* field of the *Network/Data Manager*. View the network, and choose *Weights* in the Network window. Set the weights to the values required to approximate the given function.
- 5. Choose *Train*, specify **phi** as your input and **g\_phi** as your output and train the network.
- 6. Choose *Simulate*, specify **phi** as input and simulate the network.



Figure 2: nonlinear function

- 7. Export the simulated output to the workspace and compare it with the given function.
- 8. Repeat all steps but use 2 as a number of neurons. Discuss the results.