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 Page(s): 10

Instruction/Notes: Attempt the examination on the question paper and write concise answers. You can use extra sheet for rough work. Do not attach extra sheets used for rough with the question paper. Don't fill the table titled Questions/Marks.

Question	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Total
Marks	/ 6	/ 3	/ 2	/12	/8	/6	/ 8	/ 5	/7	/ 57

Q1) Please choose either True or False for each of the following statements. For the statement you believe it is False, please give your brief explanation of it (you do not need to explain when you believe it is True) (the credit can only be granted if your explanation for the false statement is correct).[6 Marks]

- Given a well-tuned unigram language model $p(w|\theta)$ estimated based on all the text books about the topic of “information retrieval”, we can safely conclude that $p(\text{“information retrieval”}|\theta) > p(\text{“retrieval information”}|\theta)$.
- Assume we use Dirichlet Smoothing; duplicate the document content multiple times will not change the resulting smoothed document language model.
- We do not use a database system to solve information retrieval problems mostly because of efficiency concern.

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Q2) Please pick the most appropriate evaluation metric from Average Precision, Mean Reciprocal Rank, and Recall, for the following search tasks. [3 Marks]

a) A businessman searching for New York Time's homepage for his breakfast reading.

b) A lawyer searching for all relevant evidence to one of his cases. The lawyer is evaluated by whether he could win the case and he bills his client by hours. Therefore he does not mind to read through all the documents that are returned by a search engine.

c) An American basketball fan searching for information and history for NBA. Some of the returned pages provide a lot of relevant details, for example, team rankings, match scores, the latest news, etc. Some pages are just marginally relevant. Others are less interesting or irrelevant.

Q3) Which of the following is most likely effective for increasing the PageRank score of a page: Encircle correct option. [2 Mark].

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|------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1. adding an inlink | Increase / Decrease / No effect |
| 2. adding an outlink | Increase / Decrease / No effect |
| 3. deleting an inlink | Increase / Decrease / No effect |
| 4. deleting an outlink | Increase / Decrease / No effect |

Q4) Consider the following documents:

doc ₁	phone ring person happy person
doc ₂	dog pet happy run jump
doc ₃	cat purr pet person happy
doc ₄	life simple run happy
doc ₅	life laugh walk run run

Q4) a) Smoothing is crucial in the language modelling approach to information retrieval. Why is smoothing important and how is it typically achieved? [2 Marks]

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Q4) b) Construct the inverted index required for ranked retrieval for these five documents. Assume that no stemming or stop-word removal is required. (Store term frequency and term position in inverted index) [5 Marks]

Q4) c) Given the query {happy person smile}, show how a unigram language modelling approach would rank the documents outlined above. Choose a suitable form of smoothing and include all your workings. State any other assumptions made.[5 Marks]

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Q5) a) Suppose that a web search engine has 100 terabytes of inverted lists. What is the total size of the inverted lists for the 3 most frequent words? Justify your answer. [3 Marks]

Q5) b) Let D be a document in a text collection. Suppose we add a copy of D to the collection. How would this affect the IDF values of all the words in the collection? Why? [3 Marks]

Q5) c) In what situation a system's Mean Average Precision performance will be equal to its Mean Reciprocal Rank performance? [2 Marks]

Q6) The goal of a retrieval model is to score and rank documents for a query. Different retrieval models make different assumptions about what makes a document more (or less) relevant than another. Suppose you issue the query "lemur" to a search engine. And, suppose that documents D_{101} and D_{123} both contain the term "lemur" twice . Answer the following questions. [6 Marks]

a) Would the ranked Boolean retrieval model necessarily give both documents the same score? If not, what information would determine which document is scored higher?

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b) Would the cosine similarity necessarily give both documents the same score? If not, what would determine which document is scored higher?

c) Would the query-likelihood model (without linear interpolation) necessarily give both documents the same score? If not, what would determine which document is scored higher?

Q7) Suppose the PageRank algorithm is run on the graph in Figure 1 with all pages starting with the same rank.

a) Which page or pages will have the highest page rank in the network in Figure 1? [2 Marks]

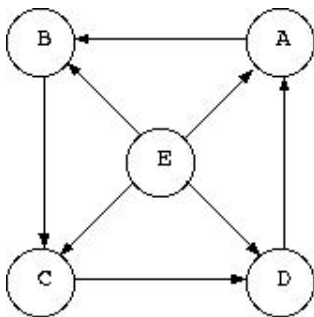


Figure 1

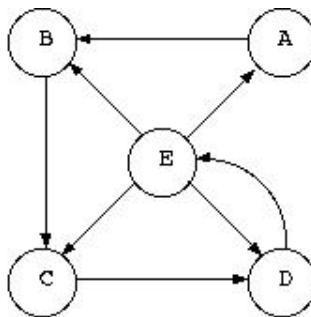


Figure 2

b) Suppose the network in Figure 1 is modified (by removing the link DA and introducing the new link DE) to produce Figure 2. Which page will now have the lowest page rank in Figure 2? Why? [2 Marks]

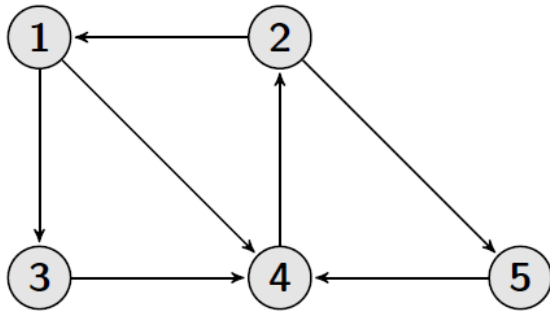
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Q7) c) Consider a small web with 5 pages as shown below. Determine the transition probability matrix P of the Markov chain induced by PageRank for teleportation probability of 0.15 (we teleport to a random page with probability 0.15, with a uniform distribution over which particular page we teleport to).

Compute the vector $\pi^{(1)}$ obtained after the first iteration of the power method, when using $\pi^{(0)} = 1/5 \cdot [1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1]$ as an initial state probability distribution. [4 marks]



Q8) a) Encode 14 using Elias Gamma Encoding [5 Marks]

b) Decode following number or numbers using Elias Gamma Decoding

111010011000

Q10. Clustering Algorithm (K-means)

Given the training set ($m = 10$) in the table 1 (which are represented by circles in the Figure, group the data into 2 cohesive clusters ($K=2$). **Write values for $c^{(i)}$ and μ_k in each iteration of the K-means algorithm** (where $c^{(i)}$ = index of cluster ($1, 2, \dots, K$) to which example $X^{(i)}$ is currently assigned, and μ_k is cluster centroid of cluster k). Stop when converge or after 3 steps whichever comes first. (Note: distance calculation should be done on the question paper). [7 marks]

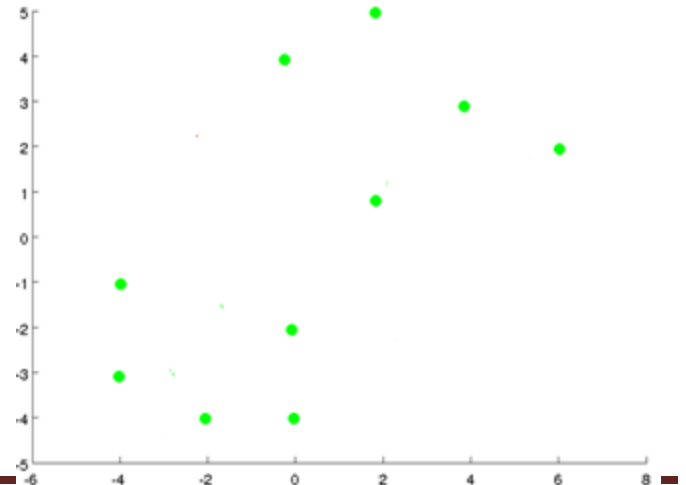
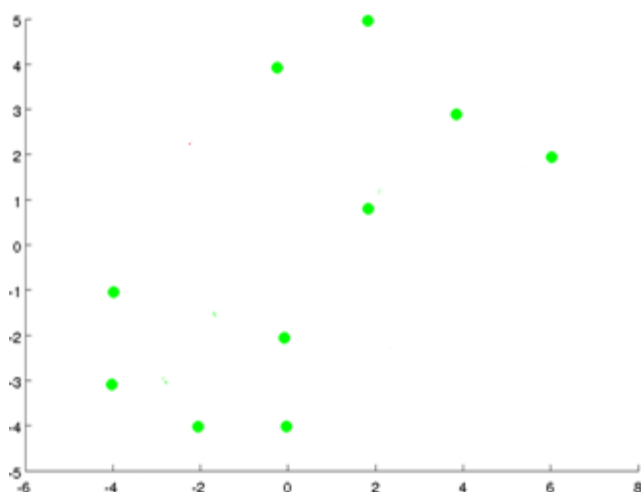
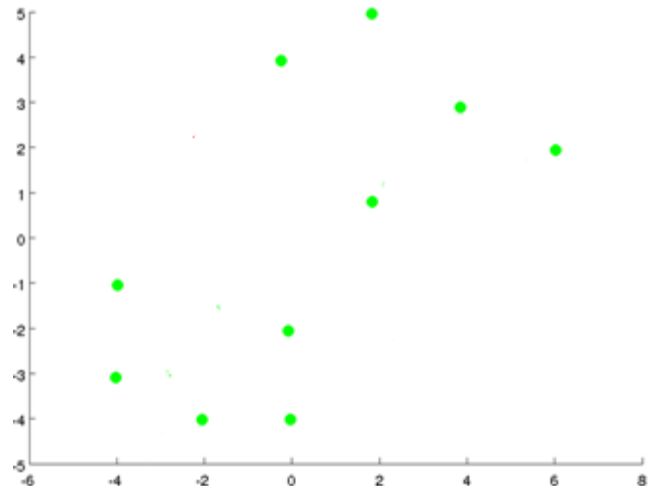
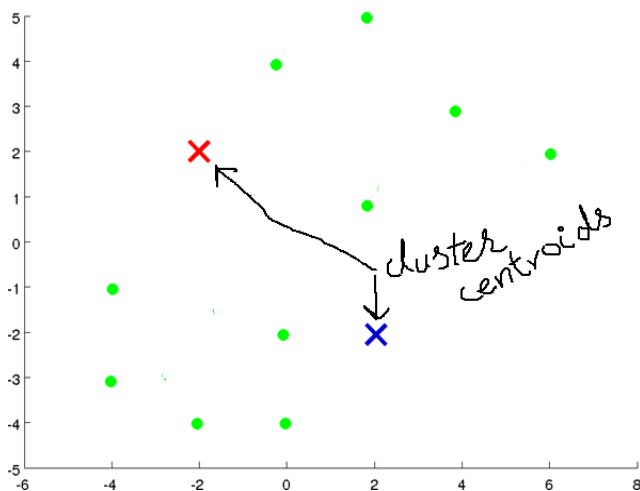


Table 1

Example No.	X_1 (Feature 1)	X_2 (Feature 2)
1	-4	-3
2	-2	-4
3	0	-4
4	-4	-1
5	0	-2
6	2	1
7	6	2
8	4	3
9	0	4
10	2	5

Assume we randomly select 2 cluster centroids as given in table 2 below:

Table 2 (Cluster centroids initialization)

Cluster No.	X_1 (Feature 1)	X_2 (Feature 2)
1	-2	2
2	2	-2

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