

## **Machine Learning**

### **Final Examination**

#### **Maintain Honor Code**

**There are 5 problems. Total points 116.**

**Problem 1 : 30 Points**

**Problem 2 : 30 Points**

**Problem 3 : 25 Points**

**Problem 4 : 25 Points**

**Problem 5 : 06 Points**

1. You can use the text-books by K Murphy and S. Theodoridis. If you use any other book mention it. You can use class hand-outs. However you should derive all your results.
2. No consultation allowed with anyone.
3. You can consult me for any needed clarification. You can use any of the recommended text-books. You can also use class hand-outs, assignments, and a calculator.
4. Answer all five problems. *Please insert a box around your answers for readability.*

**Name** (*Capital Letters*):

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**Questions**

1. (30 points) We are given data points which belong to two different classes:  $C_1$  and  $C_2$ . Let the set of two-dimensional data points be

$$X = \{x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4\}$$

The data points  $x_1$  and  $x_2$ , belong to the class  $C_1$ , and data points  $x_3$  and  $x_4$  belong to the class  $C_2$  respectively, where

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^T, & x_2 &= \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 5 \end{bmatrix}^T \\ x_3 &= \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^T, & x_4 &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 \end{bmatrix}^T \end{aligned}$$

Determine the direction of the best linear discriminating vector.

Hint: See one of your assignments. Write explicitly the *steps*, as shown in the assignment problem.

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2. (30 points) **Question** This problem is on principal component analysis (PCA). The set of data points is  $\{x_1, x_2, x_3\}$ . These are

$$x_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}^T, \quad x_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}^T, \quad x_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^T$$

Determine the principal component of these data points. Use only the dominant eigenvalue. Also determine the corresponding error in the approximation two different ways.

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3. (25 points) There are two parts in the problem

(a) (18 points) Let  $y = (y_1, y_2)$ , and  $w_1, w_2 \geq 0$  be constants.

$$\max f(y) = \sum_{j=1}^2 w_j \ln y_j$$

$$\text{Subject to: } (y_1 + y_2) = 1$$

where  $y_1, y_2 > 0$ .

- i. (12 points) What are the optimal values of the  $y_j$ 's? Justify your answer.
  - ii. (6 points) The global maximum of  $f(y)$  occurs at what values of  $y_1$ , and  $y_2$ . What is it?
- (b) (7 points) Generalize the result in part (a). Let  $y = (y_1, y_2, \dots, y_K)$ , and  $w_j \geq 0, 1 \leq j \leq K$  be constants.

$$\max f(y) = \sum_{j=1}^K w_j \ln y_j$$

$$\text{Subject to: } \sum_{j=1}^K y_j = 1$$

where  $y_j > 0, 1 \leq j \leq K$ . The global maximum of  $f(y)$  occurs at what values of  $y_j, 1 \leq j \leq K$ . What is it?

It is not necessary to show all the steps in this part of the problem. Simply write the expressions.



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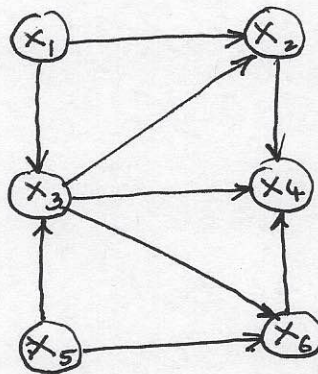
4. (25 points) This problem is on directed graphical model. Each random variable in the set  $\{X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4, X_5, X_6\}$  is specified by a node in the directed graph. The links in the graph specify dependencies of the random variables.

- (a) (2 points) What kind of graph is it?  
(b) (10 points) Write explicitly, an expression for the joint distribution

$$P(X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4, X_5, X_6)$$

in terms of conditional distributions  $P(X_i | \Theta_i)$ , where  $\Theta_i$  is the set of dependent random variables of the random variable  $X_i$ , where  $1 \leq i \leq 6$ .

- (c) (13 points) Assume that each random variable  $X_i$  takes two values.  
i. (5 points) What is the size of the table to specify the joint distribution  $P(X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4, X_5, X_6)$ ?  
ii. (8 points) What is the total size of the tables when tables of conditional distributions are used?



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5. (6 points) Name three well-known decision tree algorithms.