

ASSIGNMENT – 2

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Q1 to Q11 have only one correct answer. Choose the correct option to answer your question.

1. Movie Recommendation systems are an example of:

- i) Classification
- ii) Clustering
- iii) Regression

Options: b) 1 and 2 , is correct.

2. Sentiment Analysis is an example of:

- i) Regression
- ii) Classification
- iii) Clustering
- iv) Reinforcement

Options: d) 1, 2 and 4 , is correct.

3. Can decision trees be used for performing clustering?

- a) True

4. Which of the following is the most appropriate strategy for data cleaning before performing clustering analysis, given less than desirable number of data points:

- i) Capping and flooring of variables
- ii) Removal of outliers

Options: a) 1 only , is correct

5. What is the minimum no. of variables/ features required to perform clustering?

Options: b) 1 , is correct.

6. For two runs of K-Mean clustering is it expected to get same clustering results?

Options: b) No , is correct.

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7. Is it possible that Assignment of observations to clusters does not change between successive iterations in K-Means?

Ans :- Options: a) Yes , is correct.

8. Which of the following can act as possible termination conditions in K-Means?

- i) For a fixed number of iterations.
- ii) Assignment of observations to clusters does not change between iterations. Except for cases with a bad local minimum.
- iii) Centroids do not change between successive iterations.
- iv) Terminate when RSS falls below a threshold.

Ans : - Options: d) All of the above , is correct.

9. Which of the following algorithms is most sensitive to outliers?

Ans : - Options: a) K-means clustering algorithm ,is correct.

10. How can Clustering (Unsupervised Learning) be used to improve the accuracy of Linear Regression

Ans : - Options: d) All of the above , is correct

11. What could be the possible reason(s) for producing two different dendrograms using agglomerative clustering algorithms for the same dataset?

Ans : - Options: d) All of the above

Q12 to Q14 are subjective answers type questions, Answers them in their own words briefly

12. Is K sensitive to outliers?

Ans : - **The K-means clustering algorithm is sensitive to outliers**, because a mean is easily influenced by extreme values. K-medoids clustering is a variant of K-means that is more robust to noises and outliers.

13. Why is K means better?

Ans : - **Advantages of k-means –**

- Can warm-start the positions of centroids.
- Easily adapts to new examples.
- Generalizes to clusters of different shapes and sizes, such as elliptical clusters.

14. Is K means a deterministic algorithm?

Ans : - One of the significant drawbacks of K-Means is its non-deterministic nature. K-Means starts with a random set of data points as initial centroids. This random selection influences the quality of the resulting clusters. Besides, each run of the algorithm for the same dataset may yield a different output.