

CS 440 Exam

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TOTAL POINTS

32.5 / 48

QUESTION 1

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- ✓ - **0 pts** (a) correct
 - **1 pts** (a) partially correct
 - **2 pts** (a) incorrect
- ✓ - **0 pts** (b) correct
 - **1 pts** (b) partially correct
 - **2 pts** (b) incorrect
 - **0 pts** (c) correct
 - **1 pts** (c) incorrect advantage
 - **1 pts** (c) incorrect disadvantage
- ✓ - **1 pts** Advantage and/or disadvantage explanations require some more information
 - **2 pts** (c) incorrect
 - **0 pts** (d) correct
 - **1 pts** (d) incomplete explanation
- ✓ - **2 pts** (d) incorrect
- ✓ - **0 pts** (e) correct
 - **1 pts** (e) partially correct
 - **2 pts** (e) incorrect

QUESTION 2

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- ✓ - **0 pts** Correct
 - **2 pts** a) partial correct
 - **4 pts** a) incorrect
 - **2 pts** b) incorrect
 - **2 pts** c) incorrect
 - **1 pts** c) partial incorrect
 - **1 pts** b) partial incorrect

QUESTION 3

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- a(i)
 - ✓ - **0 pts** Correct

- **1 pts** Partially incorrect
- **2 pts** Incorrect

a(ii)

- ✓ - **0 pts** Correct
 - **1 pts** Partially incorrect
 - **2 pts** Incorrect

a(iii)

- **0 pts** Correct
- **0.5 pts** Plus instead of minus
- **0.5 pts** Missing learning rate
- **1 pts** Incorrect gradient
- ✓ - **0.5 pts** Another type of small mistake
 - **2 pts** Major mistake

b(i)

- **0 pts** Correct
- ✓ - **0.5 pts** Incorrect

b(ii)

- **0 pts** Correct
- ✓ - **0.5 pts** Partially incorrect: m = number of data samples
 - ✓ - **0.5 pts** Partially incorrect: y = ground truth labels
 - ✓ - **0.5 pts** Partially incorrect: $h(x)$ = model prediction from data sample

c

- **0 pts** Correct
- ✓ - **1 pts** Not a correct example.
- ✓ - **1 pts** Not a satisfactory explanation.

d

- ✓ - **0 pts** Correct
 - **1 pts** Partially incorrect: one application missing/incorrect.
 - **2 pts** Incorrect: two applications missing/incorrect.
- ☹ J parameterized by w

QUESTION 4

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- 0 pts Correct

(a)

✓ - 0 pts Correct

- 1 pts A is incorrect

- 1 pts B is incorrect

- 1 pts C is incorrect

(b)

✓ - 0 pts Correct

- 1 pts No/incorrect axis labeling

- 1 pts Incorrect stopping point

- 1 pts Training/validation curve missing or incorrect

- 0.5 pts Validation error not increasing after
stopping point

- 0.5 pts unclear which is training and which is
validation curve

(c)

- 0 pts Correct

✓ - 1 pts Dropout not named

✓ - 1 pts No/incorrect description of how Dropout
achieves such regularization

- 1 pts Partial credit for other regularization
technique not specifically designed for deep neural
networks, e.g. L1/L2 etc.

- 0.5 pts Incomplete description of how Dropout
achieves such regularization

(d)

- 0 pts Correct

✓ - 1 pts Missing row and column labels to indicate
which is the *Actual* and which is the *Predicted*.

- 1 pts Missing/incorrect class associations

- 2 pts c. incorrect

- 1 pts d. only words to describe the chain rule, no
math derivation

- 1 pts d. error in math formulation

✓ - 2 pts d. incorrect

QUESTION 5

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- 0 pts Correct

✓ - 1 pts a. not mention one-to-many

- 1 pts a. not mention lstm or rnn

✓ - 1 pts b. missing conv stride > 1

✓ - 1 pts b. missing pooling methods

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Instructions:

- 1- Print your name and BU ID clearly on the top right of this first page
- 2- You have 1 hour and 15 minutes to solve the exam
- 3- You may use pen or pencil, please write neatly and clearly.

Notes:

- * There are five questions.
- * Total points: 48 (+2 BONUS POINTS)

Good luck 😊

Q1. [10 points] Symbolic AI and Search Strategies

a) [2 points] When does **Symbolic AI** fail?

Symbolic AI fails when you need a human to understand what's happening or there is more to the problem than just looking at symbols, there could be meaning to it.

b) [2 points] When do **Neural Networks** fail?

like a sad bird would just be a sad bird, but humans can tell the story behind the scenes with one look. NN fail when there is not enough data for the NN. NNs are very data hungry.

c) [2 points] Iterative deepening is sometimes used as an alternative to breadth first search. Give one advantage of iterative deepening over BFS, and give one disadvantage of iterative deepening as compared with BFS.

Advantage: Iterative deepening gets the parameters of the model and backtracks if it is not correct.

Disadvantage: Sometimes if the solution is in the front, BFS is the faster algorithm.

d) [2 points] Circle True/False and explain why.

Let $h_1(s)$ be an admissible A* heuristic. Let $h_2(s) = 2h_1(s)$. Then:

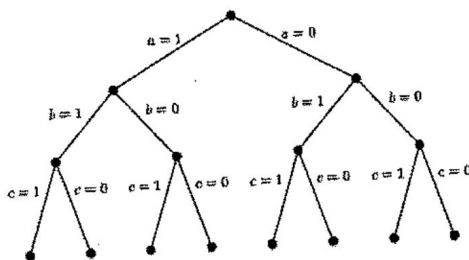
True False The solution found by A* tree search with h_2 is guaranteed to be an optimal solution.

Explanation: Unless you have very high costs with the $2h_1(s)$ heuristics,

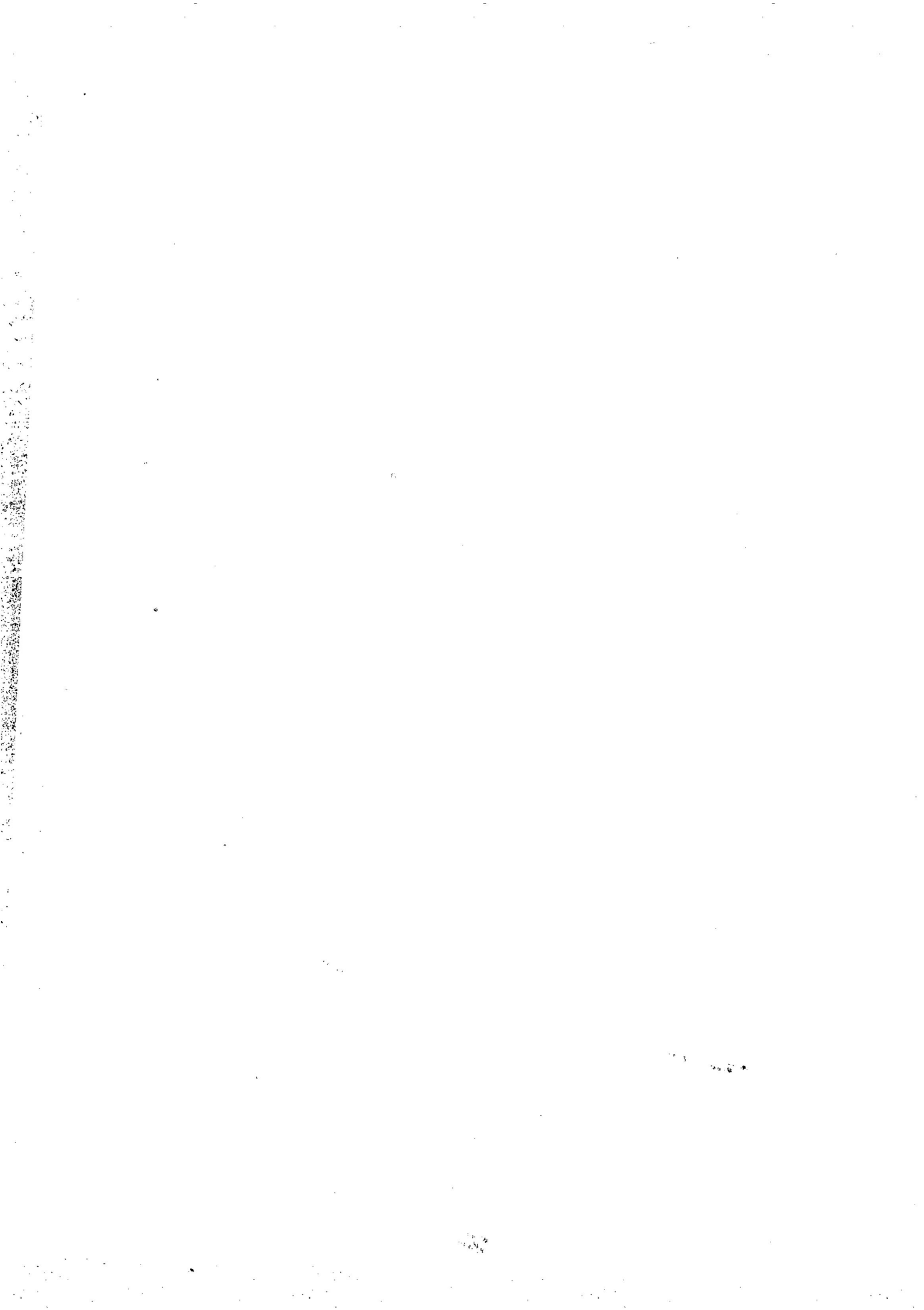
when you trace the A* algorithm, you should end up with lower costs

When you use the formula $A^* \text{ cost} = \text{costs of previous arcs} + \text{heuristic of current node}$

a) [2 points] What is the disadvantage of using breadth-first search to solve the satisfiability problem on a tree like the one demonstrated below?



If the answer is at the last branch of $a=0, b=0, c=0$, then you would have to traverse all nodes, which is very time consuming.



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Q2. [8 points] Constraint Satisfaction, and Logic

- a) [4 points] Akamai Technologies, Inc. is a global content delivery network (CDN), cybersecurity, and cloud service company. Akamai runs a network of thousands of servers and the servers are used to distribute content on Internet. They install a new software or update existing softwares pretty much every week. The update cannot be deployed on every server at the same time, because the server may have to be taken down for the install. Also, the update should not be done one at a time, because it will take a lot of time. There are sets of servers that cannot be taken down together, because they have certain critical functions. Map this problem to a constraint satisfaction problem whose result would inform us of the minimum number of passes needed to install the updates.

- Thousands of servers are the nodes
- Nodes where you can't update at the same time are not connected by arcs.
- there should be separate update times depending on availability
- Constraint is added where servers that can't be taken down together is disassociated from the algorithm to not have a fail case.

- b) [2 points] Use a truth table to show that $\neg(\neg(p \wedge q) \vee p)$ is a **contradiction**.

p	q	$\neg(p \wedge q)$	$\neg(\neg(p \wedge q) \vee p)$	$\neg(\neg(p \wedge q) \vee p)$
T	T	F	T	F
T	F	T	T	F
F	T	T	T	F
F	F	T	T	F

Because the last row col is all false, it is a contradiction

- c) [2 points] Prove that $((p \rightarrow q) \wedge \neg q) \rightarrow \neg p$ is a **tautology** using propositional equivalencies.

$$((p \rightarrow q) \wedge \neg q) \rightarrow \neg p$$

implicative

$$\neg((\neg p \vee q) \wedge \neg q) \wedge \neg p$$

implicative

$$\neg(\neg p \vee q) \wedge \neg q \wedge \neg p$$

demorgan's

$$(\neg \neg p \wedge \neg q) \wedge \neg p$$

$$(p \wedge \neg q) \wedge \neg p$$

$$\neg p \vee (p \wedge \neg q)$$

$$T$$

tautology law

T	T	F	F
T	F	T	T
F	T	F	T
F	F	T	F

Q3. [12 points] General Concepts

Answer the following questions in brief one or two sentence answers.

a) [6 points] In gradient descent, mini-batches are typically used to compute the update step for a parameter w .

(i) What is a mini-batch?

A subset of the data to compute the gradient descent params.

(ii) List one advantage of using a mini-batch.

- large batches provide a more accurate gradient descent

- small batch provides regularization as noise is added at the beginning

(iii) Write a generic formulation for the update step of gradient descent for a parameter w and a cost function J .

$$\text{gradient descent} = \theta - \alpha \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} J(\theta)$$

b) [2 points] Consider the following loss function:

$$\frac{1}{2m} \sum_{i=1}^m (h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)})^2$$

i) For what task can the above loss function be used?

It can be used for error squared for linearization tasks or regularization tasks:

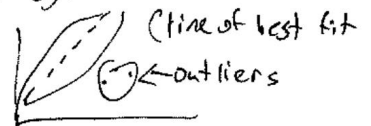
ii) Describe all the terms included in the formulation.

h_{θ} = hypothesis cost

$x^{(i)}$ = upper bound

$y^{(i)}$ = lower bound

m = iterations



$$(h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)})^2 = \text{squared error}$$

c) [2 points] Name an example of a data augmentation approach and explain how it helps improve model generalization.

Early stopping stops the training validation fold from being too generalized with the original training data, if it has too much noise because it is so similar with the original data, it fails to be a good predictor for unseen data.

d) [2 points] List two applications that would directly benefit from an AI system that is able to perform action recognition from video.

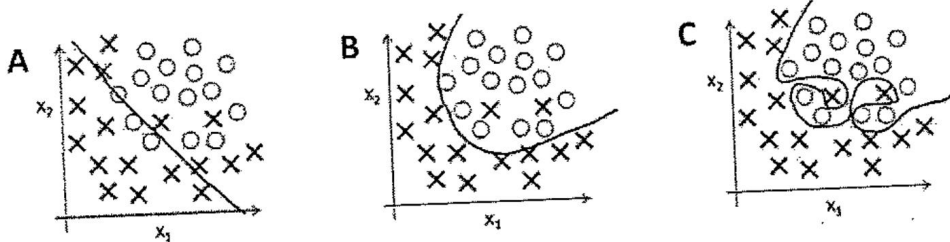
- ① - People watching videos with disabilities, reading their actions/emotions and helping them use the mouse of a computer
- ② - Early childhood, helps children learn for us learn why some children behave in some way due to their actions.

Q4. [10 points] Regularization and Evaluation

Suppose you want to fit a Logistic Regression model to predict whether an email is spam ($y = 1$) or not spam ($y = 0$) based on the frequency of the words "buy" (feature x_1) and "click" (feature x_2). You have fit three models by minimizing the regularized Logistic Regression cost function

$$J(\theta) = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m [-y^{(i)} \log(h_{\theta}(x^{(i)})) - (1 - y^{(i)}) \log(1 - h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}))] + \frac{\lambda}{2m} \sum_{j=2}^n \theta_j^2$$

for $\lambda = 10^{-2}, 10^0, 10^2$. The following are sketches of the resulting decision boundaries.



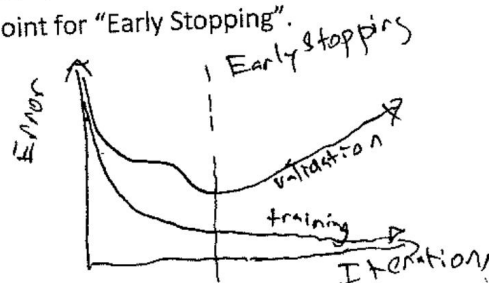
a) [3 points] Which value of λ goes with each of the plots?

A: 10^2

B: 10^0

C: 10^{-2}

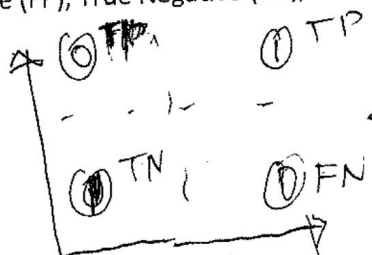
b) [3 points] Draw an example of training and validation curves that illustrate overfitting behavior, and mark the ideal point for "Early Stopping".

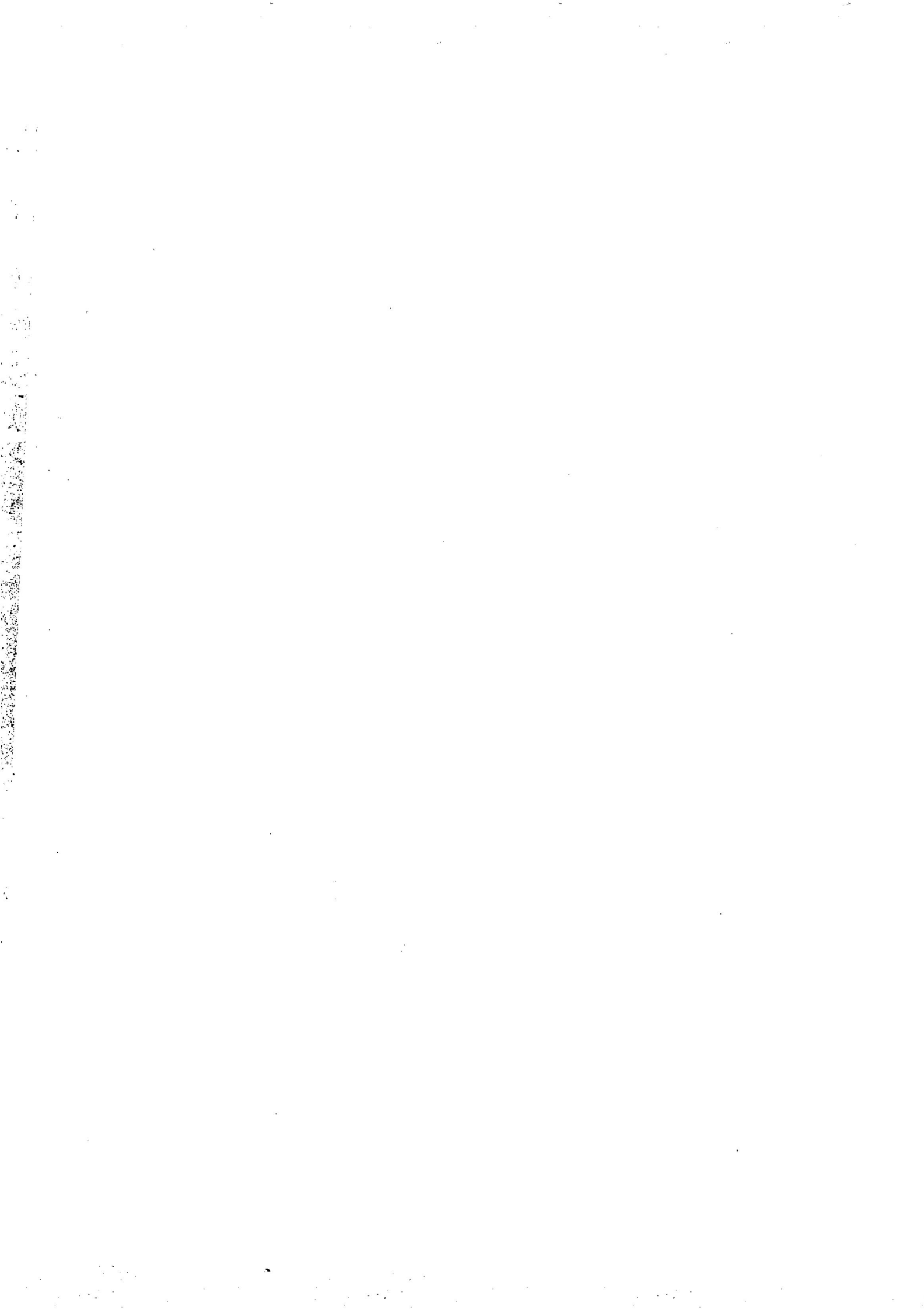


c) [2 points] Name the regularization technique specifically designed for Deep Neural networks and briefly describe how it achieves such regularization.

Backpropagation achieves regularization by removing noise as you go on with the data because it updates gradient. The sigmoid function in LSTM also helps as it sets irrelevant information to 0.

d) [2 points] Sketch how the confusion matrix for this problem would look like, and label True Positive (TP), False Positive (FP), True Negative (TN), and False Negative (FN) entries.






Q5. [8 points + 2 bonus] Neural Networks and Deep Learning

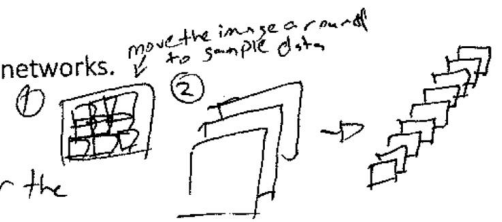
Answer the following questions in brief one or two sentence answers.

- a) [2 points] Name a deep learning architecture that can be used for image captioning. Assume the input to your system is an image, and the desired output is a caption describing the input image.

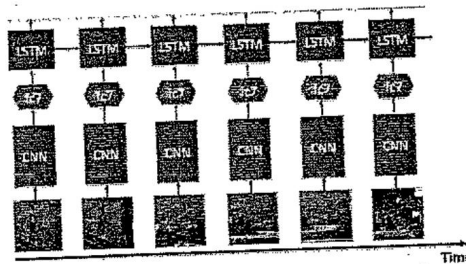
~~10/10/18~~  \rightarrow CNN \rightarrow RNN (language model) \rightarrow captions

- b) [2 points] List two ways to downsize feature maps in convolutional neural networks.

① - Use linearization techniques
② - Use split image into smaller subsections to train it for the next step, so you get more detailed data/features

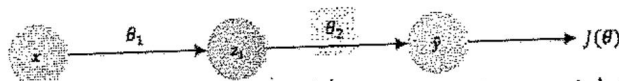


- c) [2 points] Propose a strategy to determine which video frame(s) is/are **most important** for predicting the action happening in a video fed into a CNN-RNN architecture as depicted below:



You backtrack trace from the last LSTM on the top right and do a lot of derivatives to reach the front bottom to get their gradients. You can then remove some images one at a time to see which ~~range~~ loss of image provides the highest error, then you'll know which image was ~~critical~~ critical information.

- d) [2 points] In the following simplistic model, compute the following: How does a small change in θ_1 affect the final loss $J(\theta)$?



θ_1 is the beginning of the iterative loss, the sigmoid or whatever is used in z_1 , will be altered and θ_2 would be different, could be the matter of pos/negative switch or 0/1 switch which would change $J(\theta)$ drastically.

- e) [2 points BONUS] Describe why we need to use a discount factor for computing the future reward in Reinforcement Learning, and how this discount factor is applied to future rewards.

A discount factor helps remove noise so it works better for unseen data.

