

**COSC 4570/5010 Data Mining  
Spring 2020  
University of Wyoming**

**Homework #2**

**Due:** ~~February 21, 2020, 10:00 a.m.~~ **February 26, 2020, 10:00 a.m.**

**Submission guideline** You need to submit only one .zip file. Please name the file as “Your Net id\_Homework2.zip”.

**1. Problems from the book (Introduction to Data Mining 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition by Tan, Steinbach et al.)**

Solve the following:

Chapter 3: Problems 1, 5, 7, and 10.

Chapter 4: Problem 6

OR

**Problems from the book (Introduction to Data Mining 1<sup>st</sup> Edition by Tan, Steinbach et al.)**

Solve the following:

Chapter 4: Problems 1, 5, 6, and 9.

Chapter 5: Problem 6

**2. Decision Tree Learning**

- What does zero entropy mean?
- What is maximum value for the entropy of a random variable that can take n values? justify.
- What kind of real attributes create problems for entropy-based decision trees. How can we solve this problem?

- Describe pre-pruning and post-pruning techniques for dealing with decision tree overfitting.
- Is the Gini gain (Gini of the parent subtracted by the Gini of the split) always positive? What about entropy's gain? What if you use classifications error? Prove or provide counterexamples.

### **3. Naive Bayes Classifier**

- What is the time complexity for learning a Naive Bayes Classifier?
- What is the time complexity for classifying using the Naive Bayes Classifier?