

Homework 1  
699 A1, Spring 2025

Due: 2/3

**Problem 1 (10 points).** Consider the following two objects with 7 binary attributes:

OID	A1	A2	A3	A4	A5	A6	A7
O1	P	N	P	P	N	P	N
O2	P	N	N	P	N	N	P

- (1). Calculate the distance between O1 and O2 assuming all attributes are symmetric attributes.
- (2). Calculate the distance O1 and O2 assuming all attributes are asymmetric attributes with P being more important than N.

**Problem 2 (10 points)**

Consider the following dataset with two objects.

Object	A1	A2	A3	A4
O1	1	second	gold	Small
O2	4	third	silver	large

Here, all attributes are ordinal attributes and ranks of their values are shown below (lowest rank on the left):

- A1: {1, 2, 3, 4, 5}  
A2: {first, second, third}  
A3: {bronze, silver, gold}  
A4: {small, medium, large, xlarge}

Calculate the distance between O1 and O2 using the method discussed in the class. Use the Euclidean distance measure.

**Problem 3 (10 points).** Consider the following dataset:

OID	A1	A2	A3	A4	A5	A6	A7	A8	A9	A10
O1	1	2	4	1	3	1	3	1	2	2
O2	2	2	3	5	0	4	0	3	5	2
O3	2	0	4	2	2	3	2	1	3	4

- (1). Calculate the cosine similarity between O1 and O2,  $\text{cosine}(\text{O1}, \text{O2})$ .
- (2). Calculate the cosine similarity between O1 and O3,  $\text{cosine}(\text{O1}, \text{O3})$ .
- (3). Is O1 closer to O2 or O3?

You must do all calculations yourself.

**Problem 4 (10 points).** Consider the following dataset, which has attributes of mixed types.

Object ID	A1	A2	A3	A4	A5	A6	A7
O1	19	1	No	No	Yes	Low	mild
O2	42	1	Yes	No	Yes	High	cold
O3	28	0	No	Yes	No	Low	hot
O4	35	0	Yes	No	No	Middle	mild
O5	63	1	No	No	No	High	hot
O6	27	0	Yes	No	No	High	mild
O7	82	1	No	Yes	No	Low	cool
O8	36	1	No	No	Yes	High	mild
O9	12	0	Yes	No	Yes	High	hot

- A1 is a numeric attribute.
- A2 and A3 are symmetric binary attributes.
- A4 and A5 are asymmetric binary attributes, where Yes is more important than No
- A6 is a categorical (nominal) attribute.
- A7 is an ordinal attribute. The order of values is {cold, cool, mild, hot}, where cold has the lowest rank and high has the highest rank.

Calculate the distance between O1 and O2,  $d(O1, O2)$ , and the distance between O1 and O3,  $d(O1, O3)$ , using the method that we discussed in the class. Is O1 closer to O2 or closer to O3? You must do all calculations yourself.

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