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PAPER C493

INTELLIGENT DATA AND PROBABILISTIC INFERENCE

Tuesday 15 May 2001, 10:00  
Duration: 120 minutes

*Answer THREE questions*

Paper contains 4 questions  
Calculators not required

1 a Describe briefly the concepts:

- i) Classification in Predicative Modeling
- ii) Association Rules in Data Mining
- iii) Entropy
- iv) Distance-based Clustering and Density-based Clustering

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i) Given the following collection of symbolic data :

{red, yellow, red, green, yellow, green, red, red, blue, blue}

What is the entropy of this data set?

Given the following data set:

Instance	Blood Pressure	Weather	Mood (class value)
1	High	Raining	Bad
2	High	Sunny	Normal
3	Low	Cloudy	Bad
4	Medium	Sunny	Normal
5	Low	Sunny	Good
6	High	Sunny	Good
7	Medium	Cloudy	Good
8	High	Cloudy	Bad
9	Low	Raining	Normal
10	Low	Cloudy	Normal

- ii) To build up a decision tree with Mood as the class value, which attribute should be chosen as the root node and why?
- iii) Construct a decision tree and derive two rules from the tree.
- iv) Discuss the ways of testing the accuracy of the tree and the ways of using the tree for prediction.

*The two parts carry, respectively, 20% (5% each subpart), 80% (20% each subpart) of the marks.*

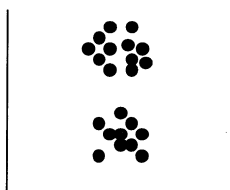
- 2 a i) Describe the principle of the naïve Bayes classification algorithm.
- ii) Describe the K-nearest neighbours (KNN) algorithm for classification.
- b Given the following table,

Transaction ID	Items
T1	Bread, Butter, Eggs
T2	Butter, Eggs, Milk
T3	Butter
T4	Bread, Butter

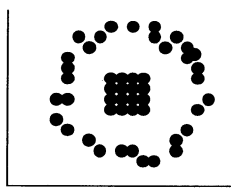
- i) List all the itemsets with a support no less than 40%.
- ii) Compute all the association rules with the confidence no less than 60%.
- iii) Let X, Y, Z be three itemsets. After deriving the association rules  $X \Rightarrow Y$  and  $Y \Rightarrow Z$ , can we conclude that  $X \Rightarrow Z$  and why?

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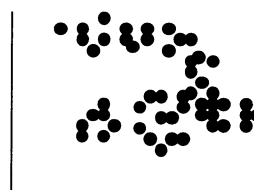
- i) Compare the advantages and disadvantages of both the decision tree approach and neural networks approach for classification.
- ii) Describe the K-means clustering algorithm. Given the three data sets (two dimensional data) in the following shape, discuss the performance of K-means on each data set.



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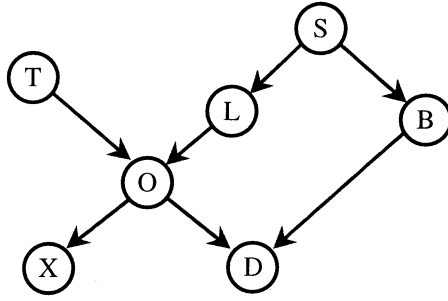


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*The three parts carry, respectively, 25% (10% first subpart and 15% the second subpart), 45% (15% each subparts), 30% (15% each subparts) of the marks.*

### 3. Probability Propagation

The following network is used for reasoning about patients with suspected lung disease



B	Bronchitis
D	Dyspnea
L	Lung Cancer
O	Reduced Lung Capacity
S	Smoker
T	Tuberculosis
X	Positive XRay

All the nodes are binary, and the prior and conditional probabilities are as follows:

$$P(O|T \& L) = \begin{bmatrix} P(O1|T1 \& L1) & P(O1|T1 \& L2) & P(O1|T2 \& L1) & P(O1|T2 \& L2) \\ P(O2|T1 \& L1) & P(O2|T1 \& L2) & P(O2|T2 \& L1) & P(O2|T2 \& L2) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$P(D|O \& B) = \begin{bmatrix} P(D1|O1 \& B1) & P(D1|O1 \& B2) & P(D1|O2 \& B1) & P(D1|O2 \& B2) \\ P(D2|O1 \& B1) & P(D2|O1 \& B2) & P(D2|O2 \& B1) & P(D2|O2 \& B2) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.9 & 0.8 & 0.7 & 0.1 \\ 0.1 & 0.2 & 0.3 & 0.9 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$P(L|S) = \begin{bmatrix} P(L1|S1) & P(L1|S2) \\ P(L2|S1) & P(L2|S2) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.2 & 0.1 \\ 0.8 & 0.9 \end{bmatrix} \quad P(T) = (0.1, 0.9)$$

$$P(B|S) = \begin{bmatrix} P(B1|S1) & P(B1|S2) \\ P(B2|S1) & P(B2|S2) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.1 & 0.1 \\ 0.9 & 0.9 \end{bmatrix} \quad P(S) = (0.3, 0.7)$$

$$P(X|O) = \begin{bmatrix} P(X1|O1) & P(X1|O2) \\ P(X2|O1) & P(X2|O2) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.4 & 0.1 \\ 0.6 & 0.9 \end{bmatrix}$$

Given that the evidence propagated between nodes is defined by the following equations:

For one parent only

$$\lambda_c(a_k) = \sum_{j=1}^m P(c_j | a_k) \lambda(c_j)$$

For two parents

$$\lambda_c(a_k) = \sum_{i=1}^n \pi_c(b_i) \sum_{j=1}^m P(c_j | a_k \& b_i) \lambda(c_j)$$

$$\pi(c_i) = \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^m P(c_i | a_j \& b_k) \pi_c(a_j) \pi_c(b_k)$$

- a. Calculate the  $\pi$  evidence for the nodes L and O before any measurements are made.
- b. A new patient arrives and has an X-Ray taken. Fortunately for him it is negative (state X2). Given just this evidence calculate the probability of his suffering from Lung cancer (i.e. the probability distribution over L).
- c. He is now examined and found to be suffering from Dyspnea (D is in state D1). Explain why it is no longer possible to compute a probability of his suffering from lung cancer.
- d. He now admits to being a smoker (S is in state s1). Calculate the probability of his suffering from Lung Cancer.
- e. Explain briefly the advantages and disadvantages of using a join tree for calculating probabilities rather than simple  $\lambda$  and  $\pi$  messages.

#### 4. The maximum Weighted Spanning Tree

A data warehouse contains the following vast data set connecting three variables A B and C:

A	B	C
a1	b1	c1
a1	b1	c2
a1	b1	c2
a1	b2	c1
a2	b2	c2
a2	b2	c1
a2	b2	c2
a2	b2	c1

- a. Construct co-occurrence matrices for the three possible pairings AB, BC and AC:

	a1	a2
b1		
b2		

etc

- b. From the co-occurrences construct the joint probability table for each pair, and the marginalisations, using the following format:

	a1	a2	P(B)
b1			
b2			
P(A)			

etc.

- c. Calculate the L1 metric for each possible pair of nodes

$$\text{Dep}(A,B) = \sum_{A \times B} |P(a_i \& b_j) - P(a_i)P(b_j)|$$

- d. Given that A is the root node, construct the tree.

- e. Calculate the prior probability distribution P(A).

- f. Calculate the two conditional probability matrices for the tree found in part 2d.

- g. The tree is being used in the case where it is not possible to measure node B. The state of C is found to be c2. Estimate the probabilities of nodes A and B.