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No.	Attribute description	Abbrev.
$x_1$	intercolumnar distance	interdist
$x_2$	upper margin	upperm
$x_3$	lower margin	lowerm
$x_4$	exploitation	exploit
$x_5$	row number	row nr.
$x_6$	modular ratio	modular
$x_7$	interlinear spacing	interlin
$x_8$	weight	weight
$x_9$	peak number	peak nr.
$x_{10}$	modular ratio/ interlinear spacing	$\mathrm{mr/is}$
$\overline{y}$	Who copied the text?	Copyist

Table 1: Description of the features of the Avila Bible dataset used in this exam. The dataset has been extracted from images of the 'Avila Bible', an XII century giant Latin copy of the Bible. The prediction task consists in associating each pattern to one of three copyist (copyist refers to the monk who copied the text in the bible), indicated by the y-value. Note that only a subset of the dataset is used. The dataset used here consist of N=525 observations and the attribute y is discrete taking values  $y=1,\ 2,\ 3$  corresponding to the three different copyists.

#### Question 1.

The main dataset used in this exam is the Avila Bible dataset<sup>1</sup> shown in Table 1.

In Figure 1 and Figure 2 are shown respectively percentile plots and boxplots of the Avila Bible dataset based on the attributes  $x_2$ ,  $x_3$ ,  $x_9$ ,  $x_{10}$  found in Table 1. Which percentile plots match which boxplots?

- A. Boxplot 1 is mr/is, Boxplot 2 is lowerm, Boxplot 3 is upperm and Boxplot 4 is peak nr.
- B. Boxplot 1 is upperm, Boxplot 2 is lowerm, Boxplot 3 is peak nr. and Boxplot 4 is mr/is
- C. Boxplot 1 is upperm, Boxplot 2 is peak nr., Boxplot 3 is mr/is and Boxplot 4 is lowerm
- D. Boxplot 1 is mr/is, Boxplot 2 is lowerm, Boxplot 3 is peak nr. and Boxplot 4 is upperm
- E. Don't know.

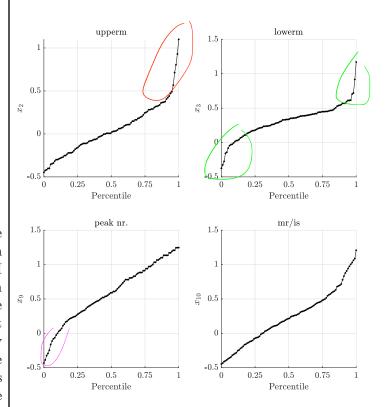


Figure 1: Plot of observations  $x_2$ ,  $x_3$ ,  $x_9$ ,  $x_{10}$  of the Avila Bible dataset of Table 1 as percentile plots.

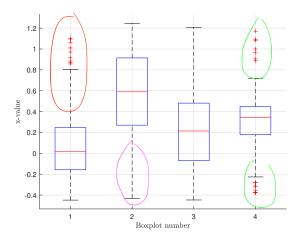


Figure 2: Boxplots corresponding to the variables plotted in Figure 1 but not necessarily in that order.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Dataset obtained from https://archive.ics.uci.edu/ml/datasets/Avila

# Question 2.

A Principal Component Analysis (PCA) is carried out on the Avila Bible dataset in Table 1 based on the attributes  $x_1$ ,  $x_3$ ,  $x_5$ ,  $x_6$ ,  $x_7$ .

The data is standardized by (i) substracting the mean and (ii) dividing each column by its standard deviation to obtain the standardized matrix  $\tilde{\boldsymbol{X}}$ . A singular value decomposition is then carried out on the standardized matrix to obtain the decomposition  $\boldsymbol{USV}^T = \tilde{\boldsymbol{X}}$ 

$$\mathbf{V} = \begin{bmatrix}
0.04 & -0.12 & -0.14 & 0.35 & 0.92 \\
0.06 & 0.13 & 0.05 & -0.92 & 0.37 \\
-0.03 & -0.98 & 0.08 & -0.16 & -0.05 \\
-0.99 & 0.03 & 0.06 & -0.02 & 0.07 \\
-0.07 & -0.05 & -0.98 & -0.11 & -0.11
\end{bmatrix}$$
(1)

$$\boldsymbol{S} = \begin{bmatrix} 14.4 & 0.0 & 0.0 & 0.0 & 0.0 \\ 0.0 & 8.19 & 0.0 & 0.0 & 0.0 \\ 0.0 & 0.0 & 7.83 & 0.0 & 0.0 \\ 0.0 & 0.0 & 0.0 & 6.91 & 0.0 \\ 0.0 & 0.0 & 0.0 & 0.0 & 6.01 \end{bmatrix}$$

Which one of the following statements is true?

- A. The variance explained by the first principal component is greater than 0.45
- B. The variance explained by the first four principal components is less than 0.85
- C. The variance explained by the last four principal components is greater than 0.56
- D. The variance explained by the first three principal components is less than 0.75
- E. Don't know.

#### Question 3.

Consider again the PCA analysis fo the Avila Bible dataset. In Figure 3 the features  $x_5$  and  $x_7$  from Table 1 are plotted as black dots. We have indicated two special observations as colored markers (Point A and Point B).

We can imagine that the dataset, along with the two special observations, is projected onto the first two principal component directions given in V as computed earlier (see Equation (1)). Which one of the four plots

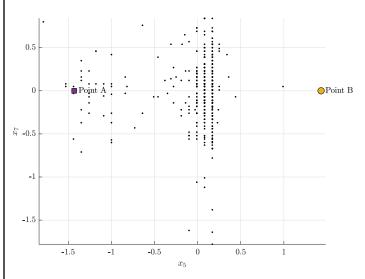


Figure 3: Black dots show attributes  $x_5$  and  $x_7$  of the Avila Bible dataset from Table 1. The two points corresponding to the colored markers indicate two specific observations A, B.

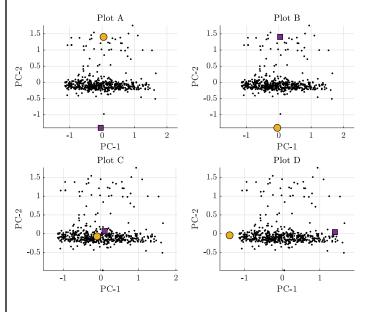


Figure 4: Candidate plots of the observations and path shown in Figure 3 projected onto the first two principal components considered in Equation (1). The colored markers still refer to points A and B, now in the coordinate system corresponding to the PCA projection.

	$o_1$	$o_2$	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	$o_{10}$
$o_1$	0.0	2.91	0.63	1.88	1.02	1.82	1.92	1.58	1.08	1.43
$o_2$	2.91	0.0	3.23	3.9	2.88	3.27	3.48	4.02	3.08	3.47
$o_3$	0.63	3.23	0.0	2.03	1.06	2.15	2.11	1.15	1.09	1.65
$o_4$	1.88	3.9	2.03	0.0	2.52	1.04	2.25	2.42	2.18	2.17
05	1.02	2.88	1.06	2.52	0.0	2.44	2.38	1.53	1.71	1.94
$o_6$	1.82	3.27	2.15	1.04	2.44	0.0	1.93	2.72	1.98	1.8
07	1.92	3.48	2.11	2.25	2.38	1.93	0.0	2.53	2.09	1.66
$o_8$	1.58	4.02	1.15	2.42	1.53	2.72	2.53	0.0	1.68	2.06
09	1.08	3.08	1.09	2.18	1.71	1.98	2.09	1.68	0.0	1.48
$o_{10}$	1.43	3.47	1.65	2.17	1.94	1.8	1.66	2.06	1.48	0.0

Table 2: The pairwise Euclidian distances,  $d(o_i, o_i) = \|\boldsymbol{x}_i - \boldsymbol{x}_j\|_2 = \sqrt{\sum_{k=1}^M (x_{ik} - x_{jk})^2}$  between 10 observations from the Avila Bible dataset (recall M = 10). Each observation  $o_i$  corresponds to a row of the data matrix  $\boldsymbol{X}$  of Table 1 (the data has been standardized). The colors indicate classes such that the black observations  $\{o_1, o_2, o_3\}$  belongs to class  $C_1$  (corresponding to copyist one), the red observations  $\{o_4, o_5, o_6, o_7, o_8\}$  belongs to class  $C_2$  (corresponding to copyist two), and the blue observations  $\{o_9, o_{10}\}$  belongs to class  $C_3$  (corresponding to copyist three).

in Figure 4 shows the correct PCA projection?

- A. Plot A
- B. Plot B
- C. Plot C
- D. Plot D
- E. Don't know.

Question 4. To examine if observation  $o_4$  may be an outlier, we will calculate the average relative density based on euclidean distance and the observations given in Table 2 only. We recall that the KNN density and average relative density (ard) for the observation  $\boldsymbol{x}_i$  are given by:

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{density}_{\boldsymbol{X}_{\backslash i}}(\boldsymbol{x}_i, K) &= \frac{1}{\frac{1}{K} \sum_{\boldsymbol{x}' \in N_{\boldsymbol{X}_{\backslash i}}(\boldsymbol{x}_i, K)} d(\boldsymbol{x}_i, \boldsymbol{x}')}, \\ \operatorname{ard}_{\boldsymbol{X}}(\boldsymbol{x}_i, K) &= \frac{\operatorname{density}_{\boldsymbol{X}_{\backslash i}}(\boldsymbol{x}_i, K)}{\frac{1}{K} \sum_{\boldsymbol{x}_j \in N_{\boldsymbol{X}_{\backslash i}}(\boldsymbol{x}_i, K)} \operatorname{density}_{\boldsymbol{X}_{\backslash j}}(\boldsymbol{x}_j, K)}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $N_{X_{\setminus i}}(x_i, K)$  is the set of K nearest neighbors of observation  $x_i$  excluding the i'th observation, and  $\operatorname{ard}_X(x_i, K)$  is the average relative density of  $x_i$  using

K nearest neighbors. What is the average relative density for observation  $o_4$  for K=2 nearest neighbors?

- A. 1.0
- B. 0.71
- C. 0.68
- D. 0.36
- E. Don't know.

# Question 5.

Suppose a GMM model is applied to the Avila Bible dataset in the processed version shown in Table 2. The GMM is constructed as having K=3 components, and each component k of the GMM is fitted by letting it's mean vectors  $\boldsymbol{\mu}_k$  be equal to the location of the observations:

(i.e. each observation corresponds to exactly one mean vector) and setting the covariance matrix equal to  $\Sigma_k = \sigma^2 I$  where I is the identity matrix:

$$\mathcal{N}(\boldsymbol{o}_i; \boldsymbol{\mu}_k, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_k) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{|2\pi\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_k|}} e^{\frac{-d(\boldsymbol{o}_i, \boldsymbol{\mu}_k)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

where  $|\cdot|$  is the determinant. The components of the GMM are weighted evenly.

If  $\sigma = 0.5$ , and denoting the density of the GMM as  $p(\boldsymbol{x})$ , what is the density as evaluated at observation  $o_3$ ?

- A.  $p(o_3) = 0.048402$
- B.  $p(o_3) = 0.076$
- C.  $p(o_3) = 0.005718$
- D.  $p(o_3) = 0.114084$
- E. Don't know.

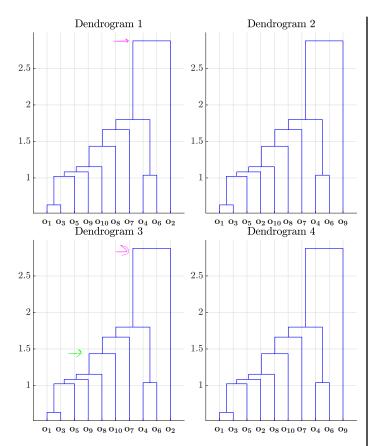


Figure 5: Proposed hierarchical clustering of the 10 observations in Table 2.

**Question 6.** A hierarchical clustering is applied to the 10 observations in Table 2 using *minimum* linkage. Which of the dendrograms shown in Figure 5 corresponds to the clustering?

- A. Dendrogram 1
- B. Dendrogram 2
- C. Dendrogram 3
- D. Dendrogram 4
- E. Don't know.

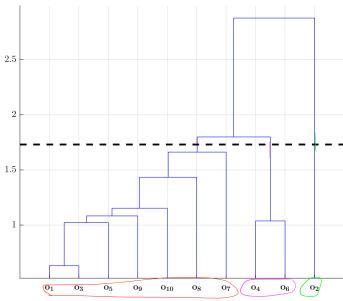


Figure 6: Dendrogram 1 from Figure 5 with a cutoff indicated by the dotted line, thereby generating 3 clusters.

# Question 7.

Consider dendrogram 1 from Figure 5. Suppose we apply a cutoff (indicated by the black line) thereby generating three clusters. We wish to compare the quality of this clustering, Q, to the ground-truth clustering, Z, indicated by the colors in Table 2. Recall the *normalized mutual information* of the two clusterings Z and Q is defined as

$$\mathrm{NMI}[Z,Q] = \frac{\mathrm{MI}[Z,Q]}{\sqrt{H[Z]}\sqrt{H[Q]}}$$

where MI is the mutual information and H is the entropy. Assuming we always use an entropy based on the natural logarithm,

$$H = -\sum_{i=1}^{n} p_i \log p_i, \quad \log(e) = 1,$$

what is the normalized mutual information of the two clusterings?

- A.  $NMI[Z, Q] \approx 0.313$
- B.  $\text{NMI}[Z, Q] \approx 0.302$
- C.  $\text{NMI}[Z, Q] \approx 0.32$
- D.  $\text{NMI}[Z, Q] \approx 0.274$
- E. Don't know.

$x_9$ -interval	y = 1	y = 2	y = 3	
$x_9 \le 0.13$	108	112	56	(— 1)
$0.13 < x_9$	58	75	116	$\leftarrow b$

Table 3: Proposed split of the Avila Bible dataset based on the attribute  $x_9$ . We consider a 2-way split where for each interval we count how many observations belonging to that interval has the given class label.

Question 8. Consider the distances in Table 2 based on 10 observations from the Avila Bible dataset. The class labels  $C_1$ ,  $C_2$ ,  $C_3$  (see table caption for details) will be predicted using a k-nearest neighbour classifier based on the distances given in Table 2. Suppose we use leave-one-out cross validation (i.e. the observation that is being predicted is left out) and a 1-nearest neighbour classifier (i.e. k = 1). What is the error rate computed for all N = 10 observations?

- A. error rate  $=\frac{4}{10}$
- B. error rate =  $\frac{9}{10}$
- C. error rate  $=\frac{2}{10}$
- D. error rate =  $\frac{6}{10}$
- E. Don't know.

#### Question 9.

Suppose we wish to build a classification tree based on Hunt's algorithm where the goal is to predict Copyist which can belong to three classes,  $y=1,\ y=2,\ y=3$ . The first split we consider is a two-way split based on the value of  $x_9$  into the intervals indicated in Table 3. For each interval, we count how many observations belong to each of the three classes and the result is indicated in Table 3. Suppose we use the *classification error* impurity measure, what is then the purity gain  $\Delta$ ?

- A.  $\Delta \approx 0.485$
- B.  $\Delta \approx 0.078$
- C.  $\Delta \approx 0.566$
- D.  $\Delta \approx 1.128$
- E. Don't know.

**Question 10.** Consider the split in Table 3. Suppose we build a classification tree with *only* this split and evaluate it on the same data it was trained on. What is the accuracy?

- A. Accuracy is: 0.64
- B. Accuracy is: 0.29
- C. Accuracy is: 0.35
- D. Accuracy is: 0.43
- E. Don't know.

Question 11. Suppose  $s_1$  and  $s_2$  are two text documents containing the text:

$$s_1 = \begin{cases} \text{the bag of words representation} \\ \text{should not give you a hard time} \end{cases}$$

$$s_2 = \begin{cases} \text{remember the representation should} \\ \text{be a vector} \end{cases}$$

The documents are encoded using a bag-of-words encoding assuming a total vocabulary size of M = 10000. No stopwords lists or stemming is applied to the dataset. What is the cosine similarity between documents  $s_1$  and  $s_2$ ?

- A. cosine similarity of  $s_1$  and  $s_2$  is 0.047619
- B. cosine similarity of  $s_1$  and  $s_2$  is 0.000044
- C. cosine similarity of  $s_1$  and  $s_2$  is 0.000400
- D. cosine similarity of  $s_1$  and  $s_2$  is 0.436436
- E. Don't know.

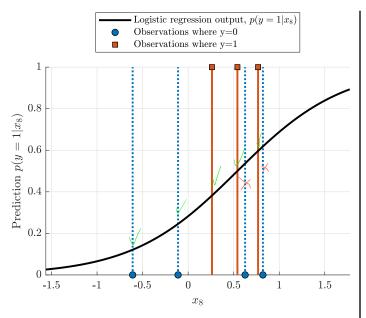


Figure 7: Output of a logistic regression classifier trained on 7 observations from the dataset.

Question 12. Consider again the Avila Bible dataset. We are particularly interested in predicting whether a bible copy was written by copyist 1, and we therefore wish to train a logistic regression classifier to distinguish between copyist one vs. copyist two and three.

To simplify the setup further, we select just 7 observations and train a logistic regression classifier using only the feature  $x_8$  as input (as usual, we apply a simple feature transformation to the inputs to add a constant feature in the first coordinate to handle the intercept term). To be consistent with the lecture notes, we label the output as y=0 (corresponding to copyist one) and y=1 (corresponding to copyist two and three).

In Figure 7 is shown the predicted output probability an observation belongs to the positive class,  $p(y = 1|x_8)$ . What are the weights?

A. 
$$\begin{bmatrix} -0.93 \\ 1.72 \end{bmatrix}$$

B. 
$$\begin{bmatrix} -2.82 \\ 0.0 \end{bmatrix}$$

C. 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1.36 \\ 0.4 \end{bmatrix}$$

D. 
$$\begin{bmatrix} -0.65 \\ 0.0 \end{bmatrix}$$

E. Don't know.

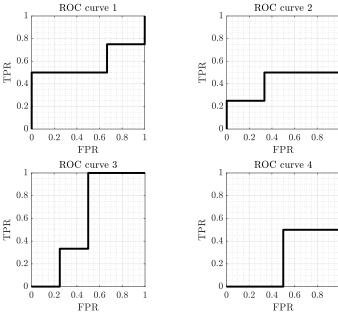


Figure 8: Proposed ROC curves for the logistic regression classifier in Figure 7.

# Question 13.

To evaluate the classifier Figure 7, we will use the area under curve (AUC) of the reciever operator characteristic (ROC) curve as computed on the 7 observations in Figure 7. In Figure 8 is given four proposed ROC curves, which one of the curves corresponds to the classifier?

- A. ROC curve 1
- B. ROC curve 2
- C. ROC curve 3
- D. ROC curve 4
- E. Don't know.

	$ f_1 $	$f_2$	$f_3$	$f_4$	$f_5$	$f_6$	$f_7$	$f_8$	$f_9$	$f_{10}$
$o_1$	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
$o_2$	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
$o_3$	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
$o_4$	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	0
$o_5$	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
06	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	0
07	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	0
$o_8$	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	1
09	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	1
$o_{10}$	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0

Table 4: Binarized version of the Avila Bible dataset. Each of the features  $f_i$  are obtained by taking a feature  $x_i$  and letting  $f_i = 1$  correspond to a value  $x_i$  greater than the median (otherwise  $f_i = 0$ ). The colors indicate classes such that the black observations  $\{o_1, o_2, o_3\}$  belongs to class  $C_1$  (corresponding to copyist one), the red observations  $\{o_4, o_5, o_6, o_7, o_8\}$  belongs to class  $C_2$  (corresponding to copyist two), and the blue observations  $\{o_9, o_{10}\}$  belongs to class  $C_3$  (corresponding to copyist three).

Question 14. We again consider the Avila Bible dataset from Table 1 and the N=10 observations we already encountered in Table 2. The data is processed to produce 10 new, binary features such that  $f_i=1$  corresponds to a value  $x_i$  greater than the median<sup>2</sup>, and we thereby arrive at the  $N \times M = 10 \times 10$  binary matrix in Table 4. Suppose we train a naïve-Bayes classifier to predict the class label y from only the features  $f_1$ ,  $f_2$ ,  $f_6$ . If for an observations we observe

$$f_1 = 1, f_2 = 1, f_6 = 0$$

what is then the probability that y = 1 according to the Naïve-Bayes classifier?

A. 
$$p_{NB}(y=1|f_1=1, f_2=1, f_6=0) = \frac{50}{77}$$

B. 
$$p_{NB}(y=1|f_1=1, f_2=1, f_6=0) = \frac{25}{43}$$

C. 
$$p_{NB}(y=1|f_1=1, f_2=1, f_6=0)=\frac{5}{11}$$

D. 
$$p_{NB}(y=1|f_1=1, f_2=1, f_6=0) = \frac{10}{19}$$

E. Don't know.

# Question 15.

Consider the binarized version of the Avila Bible dataset shown in Table 4.

The matrix can be considered as representing N = 10 transactions  $o_1, o_2, \ldots, o_{10}$  and M = 10 items  $f_1, f_2, \ldots, f_{10}$ . Which of the following options represents all (non-empty) itemsets with support greater than 0.55 (and only itemsets with support greater than 0.55)?

A. 
$$\{f_1\}$$
,  $\{f_2\}$ ,  $\{f_6\}$ ,  $\{f_7\}$ ,  $\{f_9\}$ ,  $\{f_{10}\}$ ,  $\{f_1, f_6\}$ ,  $\{f_2, f_6\}$ ,  $\{f_6, f_{10}\}$ 

B. 
$$\{f_1\}, \{f_2\}, \{f_6\}$$

- C.  $\{f_1\}$ ,  $\{f_2\}$ ,  $\{f_3\}$ ,  $\{f_4\}$ ,  $\{f_6\}$ ,  $\{f_7\}$ ,  $\{f_8\}$ ,  $\{f_9\}$ ,  $\{f_{10}\}$ ,  $\{f_1, f_2\}$ ,  $\{f_2, f_3\}$ ,  $\{f_2, f_4\}$ ,  $\{f_3, f_4\}$ ,  $\{f_1, f_6\}$ ,  $\{f_2, f_6\}$ ,  $\{f_2, f_7\}$ ,  $\{f_3, f_7\}$ ,  $\{f_6, f_7\}$ ,  $\{f_2, f_8\}$ ,  $\{f_3, f_8\}$ ,  $\{f_7, f_8\}$ ,  $\{f_2, f_9\}$ ,  $\{f_3, f_9\}$ ,  $\{f_6, f_9\}$ ,  $\{f_7, f_9\}$ ,  $\{f_8, f_9\}$ ,  $\{f_1, f_{10}\}$ ,  $\{f_2, f_{10}\}$ ,  $\{f_2, f_3, f_8\}$ ,  $\{f_2, f_3, f_9\}$ ,  $\{f_6, f_7, f_9\}$ ,  $\{f_2, f_8, f_9\}$ ,  $\{f_3, f_8, f_9\}$ ,  $\{f_1, f_2, f_{10}\}$ ,  $\{f_1, f_6, f_{10}\}$ ,  $\{f_2, f_6, f_{10}\}$ ,  $\{f_2, f_3, f_8, f_9\}$ ,  $\{f_1, f_2, f_6, f_{10}\}$
- D.  $\{f_1\}$ ,  $\{f_2\}$ ,  $\{f_3\}$ ,  $\{f_6\}$ ,  $\{f_7\}$ ,  $\{f_8\}$ ,  $\{f_9\}$ ,  $\{f_{10}\}$ ,  $\{f_1, f_2\}$ ,  $\{f_2, f_3\}$ ,  $\{f_1, f_6\}$ ,  $\{f_2, f_6\}$ ,  $\{f_6, f_7\}$ ,  $\{f_7, f_9\}$ ,  $\{f_8, f_9\}$ ,  $\{f_2, f_{10}\}$ ,  $\{f_6, f_{10}\}$ ,  $\{f_1, f_2, f_6\}$ ,  $\{f_2, f_6, f_{10}\}$
- E. Don't know.

**Question 16.** We again consider the binary matrix from Table 4 as a market basket problem consisting of N = 10 transactions  $o_1, \ldots, o_{10}$  and M = 10 items  $f_1, \ldots, f_{10}$ .

What is the *confidence* of the rule  $\{f_1, f_3, f_8, f_9\} \rightarrow \{f_2, f_6, f_7\}$ 

- A. Confidence is  $\frac{1}{10}$
- B. Confidence is 1
- C. Confidence is  $\frac{1}{2}$
- D. Confidence is  $\frac{3}{20}$
- E. Don't know.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Note that in association mining, we would normally also include features  $f_i$  such that  $f_i = 1$  if the corresponding feature is less than the median; for brevity we will not consider features of this kind in this problem

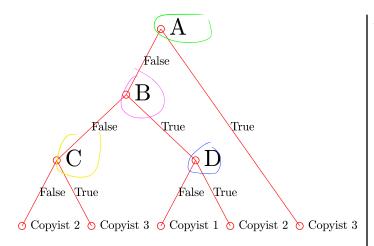


Figure 9: Example classification tree.

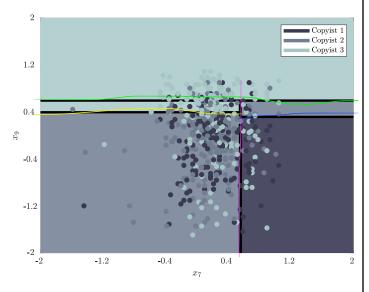


Figure 10: classification boundary.

#### Question 17.

Consider again the Avila Bible dataset. Suppose we train a decision tree to classify which of the 3 classes, Copyist 1, Copyist 2, Copyist 3, an observation belongs to. Since the attributes of the dataset are continuous, we will consider binary splits of the form  $x_i \geq z$  for different values of i and z, and for simplicity we limit ourselves to the attributes  $x_7$  and  $x_9$ . Suppose the trained decision tree has the form shown in Figure 9, and that according to the tree the predicted label assignment for the N=525 observations are as given in Figure 10, what is then the correct rule assignment

to the nodes in the decision tree?

- A.  $A: x_7 \ge 0.5$ ,  $B: x_9 \ge 0.54$ ,  $C: x_9 \ge 0.35$ ,  $D: x_9 \ge 0.26$
- B.  $A: x_7 \ge 0.5$ ,  $B: x_9 \ge 0.26$ ,  $C: x_9 \ge 0.54$ ,  $D: x_9 \ge 0.35$
- C.  $A: x_9 \ge 0.54, B: x_7 \ge 0.5, C: x_9 \ge 0.35, D: x_9 > 0.26$
- D.  $A: x_9 \ge 0.26$ ,  $B: x_7 \ge 0.5$ ,  $C: x_9 \ge 0.35$ ,  $D: x_9 \ge 0.54$
- E. Don't know.

**Question 18.** We will again consider the binarized version of the Avila Bible dataset already encountered in Table 4, however we will now only consider the first M = 6 features  $f_1$ ,  $f_2$ ,  $f_3$ ,  $f_4$ ,  $f_5$ ,  $f_6$ .

We wish to apply the Apriori algorithm (the specific variant encountered in chapter 19 of the lecture notes) to find all itemsets with support greater than  $\varepsilon = 0.15$ . Suppose at iteration k = 3 we know that:

$$L_2 = egin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Recall the key step in the Apriori algorithm is to construct  $L_3$  by first considering a large number of candidate itemsets  $C'_3$ , and then rule out some of them using the downwards-closure principle thereby saving many (potentially costly) evaluations of support. Suppose  $L_2$  is given as above, which of the following itemsets does the Apriori algorithm not have to evaluate the support of?

- A.  $\{f_2, f_3, f_4\}$
- B.  $\{f_1, f_2, f_6\}$
- C.  $\{f_2, f_3, f_6\}$
- D.  $\{f_1, f_3, f_4\}$
- E. Don't know.

#### Question 19.

Consider again the Avila Bible dataset in Table 1. We would like to predict the copyist using a linear regression, and since we would like the model to be as interpretable as possible we will use variable selection to obtain a parsimonious model. We limit ourselves to the 5 features  $x_1$ ,  $x_5$ ,  $x_6$ ,  $x_8$ ,  $x_9$  and in Table 5 we have pre-computed the estimated training and test error for different variable combinations of the dataset. Which of the following statements is correct?

- A. Backward selection will select attributes  $x_1$
- B. Backward selection will select attributes  $x_1, x_5, x_6, x_8$
- C. Forward selection will select attributes  $x_1, x_8$
- D. Forward selection will select attributes  $x_1, x_5, x_6, x_8$
- E. Don't know.

## Question 20.

Consider the Avila Bible dataset from Table 1. We wish to predict the copyist based on the attributes upperm and mr/is.

Therefore, suppose the attributes have been binarized such that  $\tilde{x}_2 = 0$  corresponds  $x_2 \leq -0.056$  (and otherwise  $\tilde{x}_2 = 1$ ) and  $\tilde{x}_{10} = 0$  corresponds  $x_{10} \leq -0.002$  (and otherwise  $\tilde{x}_{10} = 1$ ). Suppose the probability for each of the configurations of  $\tilde{x}_2$  and  $\tilde{x}_{10}$  conditional on the copyist y are as given in Table 6. and the prior probability of the copyists is

$$p(y=1) = 0.316, \ p(y=2) = 0.356, \ p(y=3) = 0.328.$$

Using this, what is then the probability an observation was authored by copyist 1 given that  $\tilde{x}_2 = 1$  and  $\tilde{x}_{10} = 0$ ?

A. 
$$p(y=1|\tilde{x}_2=1,\tilde{x}_{10}=0)=0.25$$

B. 
$$p(y=1|\tilde{x}_2=1,\tilde{x}_{10}=0)=0.313$$

C. 
$$p(y=1|\tilde{x}_2=1,\tilde{x}_{10}=0)=0.262$$

D. 
$$p(y=1|\tilde{x}_2=1,\tilde{x}_{10}=0)=0.298$$

Feature(s)	Training RMSE	Test RMSE
none	3.429	4.163
$\Rightarrow x_1$	3.043	$\bigcirc 3.252 \bigcirc$
$\nearrow$ $x_5$	3.303	4.52
$/$ $x_6$	3.424	4.274
$x_8$	3.399	4.429
$x_9$	2.866	5.016
$x_1, x_5$	3.001	3.44
$\setminus x_1, x_6$	3.031	3.423
$\setminus x_5, x_6$	3.297	4.641
$x_1, x_8$	3.017	3.42
$\int ' x_5, x_8$	3.299	4.485
$x_6, x_8$	3.396	4.519
$x_1, x_9$	2.644	4.267
$x_5, x_9$	2.645	5.495
$x_6, x_9$	2.787	5.956
$x_8, x_9$	2.71	5.536
$x_1, x_5, x_6$	2.988	3.607
$x_1, x_5, x_8$	3.0	(3.453)
$/ x_1, x_6, x_8$	3.007	3.574
$x_5, x_6, x_8$	3.292	4.61
$x_1, x_5, x_9$	2.523	4.704
$x_1, x_6, x_9$	2.562	5.184
$x_5, x_6, x_9$	2.544	6.552
$x_1, x_8, x_9$	2.517	4.686
$x_5, x_8, x_9$	2.628	5.532
$x_6, x_8, x_9$	2.629	6.569
$x_1, x_5, x_6, x_8$	2.988	$\boxed{3.614}$
$x_1, x_5, x_6, x_9$	2.425	5.725
$x_1, x_5, x_8, x_9$	2.491	4.734
$x_1, x_6, x_8, x_9$	2.433	5.687
$x_5, x_6, x_8, x_9$	2.53	6.597
$x_1, x_5, x_6, x_8, x_9$	2.398	5.766

Table 5: Root-mean-square error (RMSE) for the training and test set when using least squares regression to predict y in the avila dataset using different combinations of the features  $x_1$ ,  $x_5$ ,  $x_6$ ,  $x_8$ ,  $x_9$ .

$p(\tilde{x}_2, \tilde{x}_{10} y)$	y=1	y = 2	y = 3
$\tilde{x}_2 = 0,  \tilde{x}_{10} = 0$	0.19	0.3	0.19
$\tilde{x}_2 = 0,  \tilde{x}_{10} = 1$	0.22	0.3	0.26
$\tilde{x}_2 = 1,  \tilde{x}_{10} = 0$	0.25	0.2	0.35
$\tilde{x}_2 = 1,  \tilde{x}_{10} = 1$	0.34	0.2	0.2

Table 6: Probability of observing particular values of  $\tilde{x}_2$  and  $\tilde{x}_{10}$  conditional on y.

Variable	t = 1	t = 2	t = 3	t = 4
$y_1$	1	2	2	2
$y_2$	1	2	2	1
$y_3$	2	2	2	1
$y_4$	1	1	1	2
$y_5$	1	1	1	1
$y_6$	2	2	2	1
$y_7$	1	2	2	1
$y_8$	2	1	1	2
$y_9$	2	2	2	2
$y_{10}$	1	1	2	2
$y_{11}$	2	2	1	2
$y_{12}$	2	1	1	2
$y_1^{ m test}$	2	1	1	2
$y_2^{ m test}$	2	2	1	2
$\epsilon_t$	0.583	0.657	0.591	0.398
$\alpha_t$	-0.168	-0.325	-0.185	0.207

Table 7: Tabulation of each of the predicted outputs of the AdaBoost classifiers, as well as the intermediate values  $\alpha_t$  and  $\epsilon_t$ , when the AdaBoost algorithm when evaluated for T=4 steps. Note the table includes the prediction of the two test points in Figure 11.

# Question 21.

Consider again the Avila Bible dataset of Table 1. Suppose we limit ourselves to N=12 observations from the original dataset and furthermore suppose we limit ourselves to class y=1 or y=2 and only consider the features  $x_6$  and  $x_8$ . We wish to apply a KNN classification model (K=2) to this dataset and apply AdaBoost to improve the performance. During the first T=4 rounds of boosting, we obtain the decision boundaries shown in Figure 11. The figure also contains two test observations (marked by a cross and a square).

The prediction of the intermediate AdaBoost classifiers, as well as the values of  $\alpha_t$  and  $\epsilon_t$ , are given in Table 7. Given this information, how will the AdaBoost classifier, as obtained by combining the T=4 weak classifiers, classify the two test observations?

A. 
$$\begin{bmatrix} \tilde{y}_1^{\text{test}} & \tilde{y}_2^{\text{test}} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathsf{B.} \ \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{y}_1^{\mathrm{test}} & \tilde{y}_2^{\mathrm{test}} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

C. 
$$\begin{bmatrix} \tilde{y}_1^{\text{test}} & \tilde{y}_2^{\text{test}} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

D. 
$$\begin{bmatrix} \tilde{y}_1^{\text{test}} & \tilde{y}_2^{\text{test}} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$



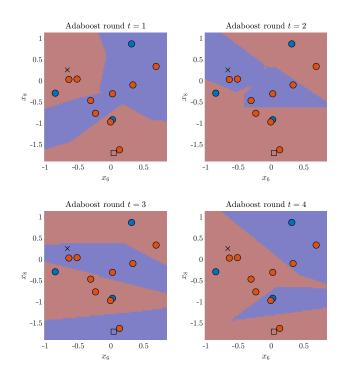


Figure 11: Decision boundaries for a KNN classifier for the first T=4 rounds of boosting. Notice that in addition to the training data, the plot also indicate the location of two test points.

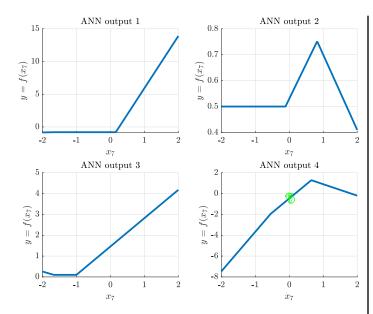


Figure 12: Suggested activation curves for an ANN applied to the feature  $x_7$  from Avila Bible dataset.

#### Question 22.

We will consider an artificial neural network (ANN) applied to the Avila Bible dataset described in Table 1 and trained to predict based on just the feature  $x_7$ ; that is, the neural network is a function that maps from a single real number to a single real number:  $f(x_7) = y$ 

Suppose the neural network takes the form:

$$f(x, \boldsymbol{w}) = w_0^{(2)} + \sum_{j=1}^2 w_j^{(2)} h^{(1)}([1 \ x] \boldsymbol{w}_j^{(1)}).$$

where  $h^{(1)}(x) = \max(x,0)$  is the rectified linear function used as activation function in the hidden layer and the weights are given as:

$$egin{aligned} m{w}_1^{(1)} &= egin{bmatrix} -1.8 \\ -1.1 \end{bmatrix} \ m{w}_2^{(1)} &= egin{bmatrix} -0.6 \\ 3.8 \end{bmatrix} \ m{w}^{(2)} &= egin{bmatrix} -0.1 \\ 2.1 \end{bmatrix}, \ m{w}_0^{(2)} &= -0.8. \end{aligned}$$

Which of the curves in Figure 12 will then correspond

to the function f?

- A. ANN output 4
- B. ANN output 1
- C. ANN output 3
- D. ANN output 2
- E. Don't know.

Question 23. Suppose a neural network is trained to translate documents. As part of training the network, we wish to select between four different ways to encode the documents (i.e., S=4 models) and estimate the generalization error of the optimal choice. In the outer loop we opt for  $K_1=3$ -fold cross-validation, and in the inner  $K_2=4$ -fold cross-validation. The time taken to train a single model is 20 minutes, and this can be assumed constant for each fold. If the time taken to test a model is negligible, what is the total time required for the 2-level cross-validation procedure?

- A. 1020 minutes
- B. 2040 minutes
- C. 300 minutes
- D. 960 minutes
- E. Don't know.

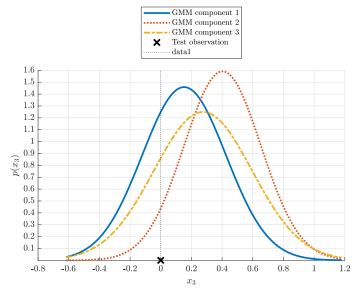


Figure 13: Mixture components in a GMM mixture model with K=3.

# Question 24.

We wish to apply the EM algorithm to fit a 1D GMM mixture model to the single feature  $x_3$  from the Avila Bible dataset. At the first step of the EM algorithm, the K=3 mixture components has densities as indicated by each of the curves in Figure 13 (i.e. each curve is a normalized, Gaussian density  $\mathcal{N}(x; \mu_k, \sigma_k)$ ). In the figure, we have indicated the  $x_3$ -value of a single observation i from the dataset as a black cross.

Suppose we wish to apply the EM algorithm to this mixture model beginning with the E-step. We assume the weights of the components are

$$\boldsymbol{\pi} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.15 & 0.53 & 0.32 \end{bmatrix}$$

and the mean/variances of the components are those indicated in the figure.

According to the EM algorithm, what is the (approximate) probability the black cross is assigned to mixture component  $3 (\gamma_{ik})$ ?

A. 0.4

B. 0.86

C. 0.28

D. 0.58

E. Don't know.

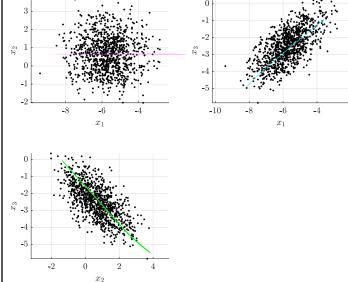


Figure 14: Scatter plot of each pairs of attributes of a vectors  $\boldsymbol{x}$  drawn from a multivariate normal distribution of 3 dimensions.

Question 25. Consider a multivariate normal distribution with covariance matrix  $\Sigma$  and mean  $\mu$  and suppose we generate 1000 random samples from it:

$$\boldsymbol{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & x_2 & x_3 \end{bmatrix}^{\top} \sim \mathcal{N}(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma})$$

Plots of each pair of coordinates of the draws x is shown in Figure 14. What is the most plausible covariance matrix?

A. 
$$\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} 1.0 & 0.65 & -0.65 \\ 0.65 & 1.0 & 0.0 \\ -0.65 & 0.0 & 1.0 \end{bmatrix}$$

B. 
$$\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} 1.0 & 0.0 & 0.65 \\ 0.0 & 1.0 & 0.65 \\ \hline 0.65 & 0.65 & 1.0 \end{bmatrix}$$

C. 
$$\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} 1.0 & -0.65 & 0.0 \\ -0.65 & 1.0 & 0.65 \\ 0.0 & 0.65 & 1.0 \end{bmatrix}$$

D. 
$$\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} 1.0 & 0.0 & -0.65 \\ 0.0 & 1.0 & 0.65 \\ -0.65 & 0.65 & 1.0 \end{bmatrix}$$

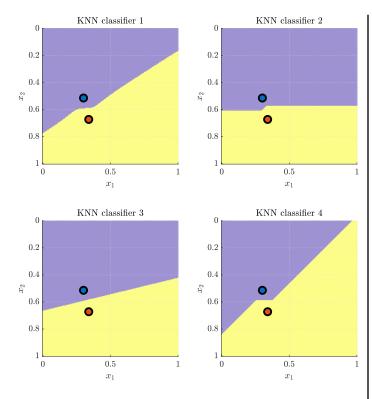


Figure 15: Decision boundaries for a KNN classifier, K=1, computed for the two observations marked by circles (the colors indicate class labels), but using four different p-distances  $d_p(\cdot, \cdot)$  to compute k-neighbors.

### Question 26.

We consider a K-nearest neighbor (KNN) classifier with K=1. Recall in a KNN classifier, we find the nearest neighbors by computing the distances using a distance measure  $d(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{y})$ . For this problem, we will consider KNN classifiers based on different distance measures based on p-norms

$$d_p(x, y) = \left(\sum_{j=1}^{M} |x_j - y_j|^p\right)^{\frac{1}{p}}, p \ge 1$$

and what decision surfaces they induce.

In Figure 15 are shown four different decision boundaries obtained by training the KNN (K=1) classifiers using the training observations (marked by the two circles in the figure):

$$\boldsymbol{x}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.301\\ 0.514 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \boldsymbol{x}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.34\\ 0.672 \end{bmatrix}$$

and with corresponding class labels  $y_1 = 0$  and  $y_2 = 1$ , but with distance measures based on  $p = 1, 2, 4, \infty$  (not necessarily plotted in that order).

Which norms were used in the four KNN classifiers?

- A. KNN classifier 1 corresponds to  $p = \infty$ , KNN classifier 2 corresponds to p = 2, KNN classifier 3 corresponds to p = 4, KNN classifier 4 corresponds to p = 1
- B. KNN classifier 1 corresponds to p=4, KNN classifier 2 corresponds to p=2, KNN classifier 3 corresponds to p=1, KNN classifier 4 corresponds to  $p=\infty$
- C. KNN classifier 1 corresponds to p=4, KNN classifier 2 corresponds to p=1, KNN classifier 3 corresponds to p=2, KNN classifier 4 corresponds to  $p=\infty$
- D. KNN classifier 1 corresponds to  $p=\infty$ , KNN classifier 2 corresponds to p=1, KNN classifier 3 corresponds to p=2, KNN classifier 4 corresponds to p=4
- E. Don't know.

Question 27. Consider a small dataset comprised of N=9 observations

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} 0.1 & 0.3 & 0.5 & 1.0 & 2.2 & 3.0 & 4.1 & 4.4 & 4.7 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Suppose a k-means algorithm is applied to the dataset with K=4 and using Euclidian distances. At a given stage of the algorithm the data is partitioned into the blocks:

$$\{0.1, 0.3\}, \{0.5, 1\}, \{2.2, 3, 4.1\}, \{4.4, 4.7\}$$

What clustering will the k-means algorithm eventually converge to?

A. 
$$\{0.1, 0.3, 0.5, 1\}, \{2.2\}, \{\}, \{3, 4.1, 4.4, 4.7\}$$

B. 
$$\{0.1, 0.3\}, \{0.5, 1\}, \{2.2, 3\}, \{4.1, 4.4, 4.7\}$$

$$\mathsf{C.}\ \{0.1, 0.3\},\, \{0.5\},\, \{1, 2.2\},\, \{3, 4.1, 4.4, 4.7\}$$

$$\mathsf{D.}\ \{0.1, 0.3\},\, \{0.5, 1, 2.2, 3\},\, \{4.1, 4.4\},\, \{4.7\}$$