

## Homework 1

Please show all work for full credit. You're only allowed to use the standard built-in Python 3 libraries.

**Question 1.** Watch [Mary's Room: A philosophical thought experiment – Eleanor Nelsen](#) on YouTube.

Do you think there is something about human learning that is different than machine learning?

Not intrinsically, I believe that human learning relies heavily on perception and up until now I don't think we've really implemented machine learning algorithms that can truly perceive and learn in the same way humans can; however, I don't think this would be impossible to do.

**Question 2.** Rate your skills out of ten in the following subjects,

- 1 Probability and Statistics - 5
- 2 Calculus - 5
- 3 Linear Algebra - 5
- 4 Python - 7

**Question 3.** Of the sub-plots (a), (b), (c) and (d) in figure ??, state which ones have no correlation, negative correlation, positive correlation and non-linear correlation.

C, B, A, D; Respectively

**Question 4.** Assume that the probability of Alice going to class everyday given she got a good grade is  $\frac{5}{6}$  and the probability of her getting a good grade is  $\frac{2}{5}$  while the probability of her going to class everyday is  $\frac{1}{3}$ . What is the probability that Alice gets a good grade given she went to class everyday?

Hint: Thomas Bayes.

$$P(B|A) = \frac{5}{6}, P(A) = \frac{2}{5}, P(B) = \frac{1}{3}$$
$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(B|A)P(A)}{P(B)} = \frac{\frac{5}{6} \times \frac{2}{5}}{\frac{1}{3}} = \frac{\frac{1}{3}}{\frac{1}{3}} = 1$$

**Question 5.** We define the natural numbers as,

$$\mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, \dots\}$$

Let  $x$  be the arithmetic mean of the first  $2^{33} - 1$  natural numbers. What is  $\log_2(x)$ ?

Hint: Carl Friedrich Gauss.

$$\frac{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}}{n} = \frac{n(n+1)}{2n} = \frac{n+1}{2} = \frac{2^{33} - 1 + 1}{2} = 2^{32} \Rightarrow \log_2(2^{32}) = 32$$

**Question 6.** Let `arr = [x % 2 for x in range((2*100)-1)]` be a Python list using [Python list comprehension](#). What is the statistical mode of the list `arr`? Justify your answer.

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**Question 7.** Define a function  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$f(x) = \frac{\sin(x^2)}{y}$$

Calculate the following,

- The partial derivative with respect to  $y$ ,  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}$

$$-\frac{\sin(x^2)}{y^2}$$

- The partial derivative with respect to  $x$ ,  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}$   

$$\frac{2x \cos(x^2)}{y}$$

- The gradient vector  $\nabla f(x, y)$ .

$$\left[ \frac{2x \cos(x^2)}{y}, -\frac{\sin(x^2)}{y^2} \right]$$

**Question 8.** Let  $\vec{v}_1 = [e, \pi, \sqrt{2}]$  and  $\vec{v}_2 = [1, 2, 0]$ . What is the dot product  $\vec{v}_1 \cdot \vec{v}_2$ ? Please do not give an approximation.

$$e + 2\pi$$

**Question 9.** We define a matrix of  $n$  rows and  $p$  columns with real values as  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times p}$ . We can think of  $\mathbf{A}$  as having  $n$  row vectors with the  $i^{\text{th}} \leq n$  row vector being  $\text{row}(\mathbf{A})_i$ . Similarly, we can think of  $\mathbf{A}$  as having  $p$  column vectors with the  $j^{\text{th}} \leq p$  column vector being  $\text{col}(\mathbf{X})_j$ .

Then matrix multiplication between  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times p}$  and  $\mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times m}$  is defined as,

$$\mathbf{AB} = \begin{bmatrix} \text{row}(\mathbf{A})_1 \text{col}(\mathbf{X})_1 & \text{row}(\mathbf{A})_1 \text{col}(\mathbf{X})_2 & \cdots & \text{row}(\mathbf{A})_1 \text{col}(\mathbf{X})_m \\ \text{row}(\mathbf{A})_2 \text{col}(\mathbf{X})_1 & \text{row}(\mathbf{A})_2 \text{col}(\mathbf{X})_2 & \cdots & \text{row}(\mathbf{A})_2 \text{col}(\mathbf{X})_m \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \text{row}(\mathbf{A})_n \text{col}(\mathbf{X})_1 & \text{row}(\mathbf{A})_n \text{col}(\mathbf{X})_2 & \cdots & \text{row}(\mathbf{A})_n \text{col}(\mathbf{X})_m \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $\text{row}(\mathbf{A})_i \text{col}(\mathbf{X})_j \in \mathbb{R}$  is a dot or inner product.

Further, the transpose of  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times p}$  is written as  $\mathbf{A}^T \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times n}$  and is defined as,

If  $\mathbf{A}^T$  is the transpose of  $\mathbf{A}$  then  $\text{row}(\mathbf{A})_i = \text{col}(\mathbf{A}^T)_i$ .

- (a) What must be true of the number of columns of  $\mathbf{A}$  and number of rows of  $\mathbf{B}$  for  $\mathbf{AB}$  to be defined?

The number of columns in  $\mathbf{A}$  must match the number of rows in  $\mathbf{B}$ .

- (b) What information do the number of rows of  $\mathbf{A}$  and number of columns of  $\mathbf{B}$  give you about the dimensions of the product  $\mathbf{AB}$ ?

The number of rows in  $\mathbf{A}$  and the number of columns in  $\mathbf{B}$  give us the number of rows and columns in  $\mathbf{AB}$  (respectively).

- (c) For the two matrices bellow, give the product  $\mathbf{AB}$ .

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 4 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{AB} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 4 & 3 \\ 8 & 9 & 5 \\ 6 & 5 & 3 \\ 11 & 9 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (d) Prove that the matrix product is not a symmetric relation, i. e.,  $\mathbf{AB} \neq \mathbf{BA}$ . Hint: can you construct a small counter example?  $\mathbf{BA}$  is not even possible because the number of columns in  $\mathbf{B}$  does not match the number of rows in  $\mathbf{B}$ .

- (e) Prove that  $(\mathbf{AB})^T = \mathbf{B}^T \mathbf{A}^T$ .

*Proof.*  $(\mathbf{AB})^T = \mathbf{B}^T \mathbf{A}^T$

$$(1) (\mathbf{AB})_{j,i}^T = \mathbf{AB}_{i,j} = \text{row}(\mathbf{A})_i \text{col}(\mathbf{B})_j$$

$$(2) (\mathbf{B}^T \mathbf{A}^T)_{j,i} = \text{row}(\mathbf{B}^T)_j \text{col}(\mathbf{A}^T)_i = \text{row}(\mathbf{A})_i \text{col}(\mathbf{B})_j$$

$$(3) \text{ therefore, } (\mathbf{AB})^T = \mathbf{B}^T \mathbf{A}^T$$

(f) For  $\mathbf{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times p}$ ,  $\beta \in \mathbb{R}^p$ ,  $y \in \mathbb{R}^n$  prove that,

$$\beta^T \mathbf{X}^T y = y^T \mathbf{X} \beta$$

*Proof.*  $\beta^T \mathbf{X}^T y = y^T \mathbf{X} \beta$

(1)  $\beta^T \mathbf{X}^T y$  and  $y^T \mathbf{X} \beta$  return a 1x1 matrix

(2) we can perform a transpose on either of them since a 1x1 matrix equals itself when transposed

(3)  $(\beta^T \mathbf{X}^T y)^T = y^T (\beta^T \mathbf{X}^T)^T$

(4)  $y^T (\beta^T \mathbf{X}^T)^T = y^T \mathbf{X} \beta$

(5) therefore,  $\beta^T \mathbf{X}^T y = y^T \mathbf{X} \beta$

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(g) Let  $f(\beta) = \beta^T \beta$ . Prove that the derivative  $\frac{df}{d\beta} = 2\beta$ .

*Proof.*  $\frac{df}{d\beta} = 2\beta$ , for  $f(\beta) = \beta^T \beta$

(1) Assuming the definition for  $\beta$  as defined in part f,  $\beta \in \mathbb{R}^p$

(2)  $\text{col}(\beta)_i = \text{row}(\beta^T)_i$

(3) since the values of  $\beta$  are being multiplied with themselves, this means  $\beta^T \beta = \langle \beta_1^2 + \beta_2^2 \dots + \beta_i^2 \rangle$

(4) since we have to take the partial derivative for each  $\beta_i$  every time, we are left with only the  $\beta_i$  since the rest are considered constants

(5) this leaves us with  $2\beta$

(6) therefore,  $\frac{df}{d\beta} = 2\beta$ , for  $f(\beta) = \beta^T \beta$

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**Question 10.** For  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  we have,

$$f(x) = \frac{x^4}{4} - \frac{x^3}{3}$$

Give,

$$\min_x f(x) = \min_x \left( \frac{x^4}{4} - \frac{x^3}{3} \right)$$

Plot  $f$  to double check your answer.

the global minimum of  $f(x) = -\frac{1}{12}$  occurs at  $x = 1$

**Question 11.** Let  $x \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$  be a normally distributed random variable with mean 0 and standard deviation 1. What is the likelihood that  $x = \sqrt{2}$ . Give an exact answer.

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{x-\mu}{\sigma}\right)^2}$$

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{1\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{x-0}{1}\right)^2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}}$$

$$f(\sqrt{2}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{2}{2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-1} = \frac{1}{e\sqrt{2\pi}}$$

or 0 idk. I don't think x can be any specific value so it's 0 I think, but also the answer from before is the height of the graph at  $f(\sqrt{2})$

**Question 12.** The code snippet in listing 1 reads the plain text of the novel *The Cosmic Computer* by the famous American science fiction writer Henry Beam Piper over the internet and saves it to a string variable `text`.

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1 from urllib.request import urlopen as get
2
3 url = 'https://www.gutenberg.org/files/20727/20727.txt'
4 with get(url) as response:
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5     text = response.read().decode('utf-8')
6
7     print(text)

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LISTING 1. A Python program to download the text of the *The Cosmic Computer* by Piper.

Write a Python program that prints out the ten most used words in the novel that have more than 5 letters. State your findings. Put your code in a file called `frequency.py`.

maxwell: 86  
 project: 76  
 anything: 74  
 something: 72  
 storisende: 65  
 poictesme: 61  
 everybody: 61  
 jacquemont: 59  
 command: 58  
 started: 57

**Question 13.** Watch [Laziness in Python - Computerphile](#) on YouTube.

Implement the function `fibonacci(n)` in the code listing 2.

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1     def fibonacci(n):
2         # implement me
3
4     for t in fibonacci(50):
5         print(t)

```

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LISTING 2. A Python 3 program to print out the first  $n \geq 0$  Fibonacci numbers.

Run your program for  $n = 50$ . What are the last five numbers printed? Put your code in a file called `fibonacci.py`.

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### SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

- 1 Submit a PDF that answers all the questions.
- 2 Submit Python files, e. g., `frequency.py` and `fibonacci.py`.

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