I Semester 2019-2020 Assignment #1

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Due Data: 09th November, 2019 (Saturday)

- 1. Linear basis function models for Regression
 - (a) Take a regression problem for which data is available (check UCI ML Repository) and try out different basis functions.
 - (b) Build a Bayesian Linear Regression Model* and compare it with models developed in (a). DO a quantitative as well as qualitative comparison.

*Chapter 3 of Bishop Book on Pattern Recognition and Machine Learning. Bayesian Linear Regression is the new model you will learn through this assignment.

You need to submit a hand-written report. Figures, tables, and graphs can be taken printed.

- 2. Build your first Neural Network
 - (a) You are required to write a program for a Multilayer Perceptron (MLP) classifier in C or Java (no Python, no R) with 1 hidden layer. You should provision for use of different activation functions and different variants of Gradient Descent algorithms.
 - (b) Generalize your code to work with any number of hidden layers.
 - (c) Test your code using one binary and one multiclass classification problem.
 - (d) Compare accuracies using different activation functions and different variants of Gradient Descent. (using 1 hidden layer only)

Objectives: To understand the intricacies of Neural Networks and to get some insights into the working of deep neural networks.

Group Information:

Max. 03 students are allowed per group. NO RELAXATION!

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