

ASSIGNMENT SET 2 - MACHINE LEARNING

1. Movie Recommendation systems are an example of: i) Classification ii) Clustering iii) Regression

Ans. b) 1 and 2

2. Sentiment Analysis is an example of: i) Regression ii) Classification iii) Clustering iv) Reinforcement

Ans. c) 1 and 3

3. Can decision trees be used for performing clustering?

Ans. a) True

4. Which of the following is the most appropriate strategy for data cleaning before performing clustering analysis, given less than desirable number of data points: i) Capping and flooring of variables ii) Removal of outliers Options:

Ans. a) 1 only

5. What is the minimum no. of variables/ features required to perform clustering?

Ans. b) 1

6. For two runs of K-Mean clustering is it expected to get same clustering results?

Ans. b) No

7. Is it possible that Assignment of observations to clusters does not change between successive iterations in K-Means?

Ans. a) Yes

8. Which of the following can act as possible termination conditions in K-Means?

i) For a fixed number of iterations. ii) Assignment of observations to clusters does not change between iterations. Except for cases with a bad local minimum. iii) Centroids do not change between successive iterations. iv) Terminate when RSS falls below a threshold.

a) 1, 3 and 4

b) 1, 2 and 3

c) 1, 2 and 4

d) All of the above

Ans. d) All of the above

9. Which of the following algorithms is most sensitive to outliers?

Ans. a) K-means clustering algorithm

10. How can Clustering (Unsupervised Learning) be used to improve the accuracy of Linear Regression model (Supervised Learning):

i) Creating different models for different cluster groups. ii) Creating an input feature for cluster ids as an ordinal variable. iii) Creating an input feature for cluster centroids as a continuous variable. iv) Creating an input feature for cluster size as a continuous variable.

Ans. d) All of the above

11. What could be the possible reason(s) for producing two different dendrograms using agglomerative clustering algorithms for the same dataset?

- a) Proximity function used
- b) of data points used
- c) of variables used
- d) All of the above

Ans. d) All of the above

12. Is K sensitive to outliers?

Ans. The k-means algorithm updates the cluster centers by taking the average of all the data points that are closer to each cluster center. When all the points are packed together, the average makes sense. However, when you have outliers, this can affect the average calculation of the whole cluster. As a result, this will push your cluster center closer to the outlier.

13. Why is K means better?

Ans. K-means Clustering is a data segmentation technique. It divides the data into n parts/clusters where each cluster tries to have data points which are very close to each other. i. e. minimum variance in the cluster. That's why K means better .

14. Is K means a deterministic algorithm?

Ans. K means is not a deterministic algorithm . It is one of the most significant drawback of K means. K means starts with a random set of data points as initial centroids . This random selection influences the quality of the resulting cluster .