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This examination contains three sections. The whole midterm examination carries 100 points.

**Section I. Single-Choice Questions (20 points, 2 points per question; only ONE choice is correct). Please write your answers in the table provided below.**

Question	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Answer	a	a	b	b	c	b	d	d	d	a

- If k-means is sensitive to outliers, what algorithm can be used to deal with outliers?
  - K-medians
  - K-means++
  - K-means
  - KNN
- How can we prevent local minima resulting from K-means?
  - Using K-means ++
  - Using K-medians
  - Using KNN
  - Using K-mode
- What is the tree size?
  - The number of nodes
  - The number of terminal nodes
  - The number of subtrees
  - The number of parent nodes
- Which statistic does PCA look at in the high-dimensional data?
  - Mean
  - Variance
  - Correlation
  - Median
- What are the assumptions for K-means?
  - The clusters are spherical
  - The variance of clusters is similar
  - All the above
- What criteria can we use to select the optimal number of clusters in hierarchical clustering?
  - Silhouette plots
  - Gap statistic
  - Cophenetic correlation
  - All the above
- Cross-validation (CV) can be used for?
  - Only choosing the optimal tuning parameter in L1 regression
  - Only choosing the optimal tuning parameter in L2 regression
  - Only choosing the optimal tuning parameter in the pruning process of CART
  - Choosing the optimal tuning parameter in regularized regression and CART
- The feature detection layers of Convolutional neural network perform
  - Only convolution
  - Only pooling
  - Only ReLU
  - Convolution, pooling or ReLU
- Which dissimilarity measures are not used in hierarchical clustering?
  - Max-link
  - Min-link
  - Average-link
  - None of the above
- Which algorithm is widely used in normalized spectral clustering?
  - Ng-Jordan-Weiss algorithm
  - Greedy
  - Top-down and greedy approach
  - Top-down

**Section II. True or False questions (20 points, 2 points per question).**

Questions	True	False
1. Theoretically, the total variance of a dataset is equal to the variance explained by components identified in PCA	True	
2. For classification tree, we examine the MSE for accuracy		False
3. DNN typically contains 2 layers		False
4. Scaling would change the clustering results	True	
5. For hierarchical clustering, we draw conclusions about the similarity of two observations based on their proximity along the horizontal axis		False
6. Different similarity criteria can lead to different clustering results	True	
7. PCA is for clustering		False
8. K-means is for dimension reduction		False
9. K-means can be used when the clusters are non-convex		False

10. When Y is a continuous variable, multiple regression, regularized regression and regression trees can be considered.	True	
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### Section III. Short problems (60 points)

1. (5 points) Given the observed data below,

Name	Give Birth	Can Fly	Live in Water	Have Legs	Class
human	yes	no	no	yes	mammals
python	no	no	no	no	non-mammals
salmon	no	no	yes	no	non-mammals
whale	yes	no	yes	no	mammals
frog	no	no	sometimes	yes	non-mammals
komodo	no	no	no	yes	non-mammals
bat	yes	yes	no	yes	mammals
pigeon	no	yes	no	yes	non-mammals
cat	yes	no	no	yes	mammals
leopard shark	yes	no	yes	no	non-mammals
turtle	no	no	sometimes	yes	non-mammals
penguin	no	no	sometimes	yes	non-mammals
porcupine	yes	no	no	yes	mammals
eel	no	no	yes	no	non-mammals
salamander	no	no	sometimes	yes	non-mammals
gila monster	no	no	no	yes	non-mammals
platypus	no	no	no	yes	mammals
owl	no	yes	no	yes	non-mammals
dolphin	yes	no	yes	no	mammals
eagle	no	yes	no	yes	non-mammals

Show your stepwise calculation for assigning the class label for a new animal with the following attribute values, using Naïve Bayes.

Give Birth	Can fly	Live in water	Have Legs	Class (Mammal or non-mammal)
Yes	No	No	Yes	?

(No score will be given, if you only answer “mammal” or “non-mammal”)

Your answer:

Important -> Naïve Bayes assumes independence among attributes  $x_j$  when given a class.

Mathematically,

$$p(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n | C_i) = p(x_1 | C_i) p(x_2 | C_i) \dots p(x_n | C_i)$$

Here, X: attributes -> Give Birth, Can fly, Live in water, Have Legs.

Two classes -> M = Mammal, N = Non-Mammal

$$P(M) = 7/20 \quad (1)$$

$$P(N) = 13/20 \quad (2)$$

Two cases:

$$a.) \quad P(\text{Class} = \text{Mammal} | X) \propto p(x | \text{Class} = \text{mammal}) p(\text{Class} = \text{mammal})$$

$$b.) \quad P(\text{Class} = \text{Non-Mammal} | X) \propto p(x | \text{Class} = \text{Non-Mammal}) p(\text{Class} = \text{Non-Mammal})$$

$$\text{Case 1} \rightarrow P(\text{Class} = \text{Mammal} | X) \propto p(x | \text{Class} = \text{mammal}) p(\text{Class} = \text{mammal})$$

$$p(x | \text{Class} = \text{mammal}) = p(\text{GiveBirth} = \text{Yes} | \text{Class} = \text{mammal}) * p(\text{CanFly} = \text{No} | \text{Class} = \text{mammal}) * p(\text{LiveinWater} = \text{No} | \text{Class} = \text{mammal}) * p(\text{HaveLegs} = \text{Yes} | \text{Class} = \text{mammal}) \quad (3)$$

From (1)

$$n(\text{Mammals}) = 7$$

$$p(X|M) = 6/7 * 6/7 * 2/7 * 4/7 = 0.1199 \quad (4)$$

$$p(X|M) p(M) = 0.1199 * 7/20 = 0.0419 \quad (5)$$

**Case 2 ->  $P(\text{Class} = \text{Non-Mammal}|X) \propto p(x | \text{Class} = \text{Non-Mammal}) p(\text{Class} = \text{Non-Mammal})$**

$$p(x | \text{Class} = \text{Non-mammal}) = p(\text{GiveBirth} = \text{Yes} | \text{Class} = \text{Non-mammal}) * p(\text{CanFly} = \text{No} | \text{Class} = \text{Non-mammal}) * p(\text{LiveinWater} = \text{No} | \text{Class} = \text{Non-mammal}) * p(\text{HaveLegs} = \text{Yes} | \text{Class} = \text{Non-mammal}) \quad (6)$$

From (2)

$$n(\text{Non-Mammals}) = 13$$

$$p(X|N) = 1/13 * 2/13 * 6/13 * 9/13 = 0.0037 \quad (7)$$

$$p(X|N) p(N) = 0.0037 * 13/20 = 0.0024 \quad (8)$$

From (5) and (8) ->



**$P(\text{Class} = M | X) > P(\text{Class} = N | X) \Rightarrow \text{This case is a Mammal.}$**

2. (10 points) Given the observed data and the reference table below,

Tid	Refund	Marital Status	Taxable Income	Evade
1	Yes	Single	125K	No
2	No	Married	100K	No
3	No	Single	70K	No
4	Yes	Married	120K	No
5	No	Divorced	95K	Yes
6	No	Married	60K	No
7	Yes	Divorced	220K	No
8	No	Single	85K	Yes
9	No	Married	75K	No
10	No	Single	90K	Yes

naive Bayes classifier:

- ( Refund = Yes | No ) = 3/7
- ( Refund = No | No ) = 4/7
- ( Refund = Yes | Yes ) = 0
- ( Refund = No | Yes ) = 1
- ( Marital Status = Single | No ) = 2/7
- ( Marital Status = Divorced | No ) = 1/7
- ( Marital Status = Married | No ) = 4/7
- ( Marital Status = Single | Yes ) = 2/7
- ( Marital Status = Divorced | Yes ) = 1/7
- ( Marital Status = Married | Yes ) = 0

For Taxable Income:  
 If Class = No: sample mean = 110   
 sample variance = 2975  
 If Class = Yes: sample mean = 90   
 sample variance = 25

Show your stepwise calculation for assigning the class label for a new customer with the following attribute values, using Naïve Bayes.

Refund	Marital Status	Taxable Income	Evade Class (No or Yes)
No	Single	80K	?

(No score will be given, if you only answer “Yes” or “No”)

Hint: For Taxable income, it follows the normal distribution.

$$P(x_j | C_i) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi s_{ji}^2}} e^{-\frac{(x_j - \mu_{ji})^2}{2s_{ji}^2}}$$

Your answer:

**Assumption ->** Income follows a Gaussian/Normal Distribution.

**New case, x = (Refund = No, Status = Single, Taxable Income = 80K)**

$$P(\text{Yes}) = 0.3 \quad -(1)$$

$$P(\text{No}) = 0.7 \quad -(2)$$

$$p(x | \text{Class} = \text{No}) = p(\text{Refund} = \text{No} | \text{Class} = \text{No}) * p(\text{Single} | \text{Class} = \text{No}) * p(\text{Income} = 80K | \text{Class} = \text{No})$$

$$\Rightarrow p(x | \text{Class} = \text{No}) = 4/7 * 2/7 * p(\text{Income} = 80K | \text{Class} = \text{No}) \quad -(3)$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{If class} = \text{No}, \text{ then } \mu_{ji} = 110; \text{ Sample variance} = 2975$$

$$\Rightarrow P(\text{Income} = 80K | \text{Class} = \text{No}) = 1/(\sqrt{2\pi * 2975}) * e^{(80-110/(2 * 2975))} = 0.0072 \quad -(4)$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Substituting (4) in (3)} \rightarrow p(x | \text{Class} = \text{No}) = 0.00118 \quad -(5)$$

$$p(x | \text{Class} = \text{Yes}) = p(\text{Refund} = \text{No} | \text{Class} = \text{Yes}) * p(\text{Single} | \text{Class} = \text{Yes}) * p(\text{Income} = 80K | \text{Class} = \text{Yes})$$

$$\Rightarrow P(x | \text{Class} = \text{Yes}) = 1 * 2/7 * p(\text{Income} = 200K | \text{Class} = \text{Yes}) \quad -(6)$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{If class} = \text{Yes}, \text{ then } \mu_{ji} = 90; \text{ Sample variance} = 25$$

$$\Rightarrow P(\text{Income} = 200K | \text{Class} = \text{No}) = 1/(\sqrt{2\pi * 25}) * e^{(80-90/(2 * 25))} = 0.0653 \quad -(7)$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Substituting (7) in (6)} \rightarrow p(x | \text{Class} = \text{Yes}) = 0.1866 \quad -(8)$$

From (1), (2), (5), and (8) ->

$$p(x | \text{Class} = \text{No}) * P(\text{No}) < p(x | \text{Class} = \text{Yes}) * P(\text{Yes}) = 0.055$$

Hence,  $P(\text{No} | x) < P(\text{Yes} | x)$ , and this case will be classified as Evade.

3. **(15 points, 5 points\*3)** A researcher only has attributes X for a variety of dogs, and would like to explore or describe which species they belong to.

1) Which machine learning method would this company use to help their decision, unsupervised or supervised?

Your Answer: The researcher should use Unsupervised Learning methods.

2) Please justify your decision based on your understanding of unsupervised or supervised learning methods in this case study. (3 points)

Your Answer: Given the nature of the problem, it is clear that this is a classification problem. The researcher has a few attributes and for each, he can calculate the prior probability from the available data for each specie. He can then calculate the probability of a dog belonging to a particular species. For example, if there are 'n' dogs and 'x' species then he can calculate the probability belonging to a particular species and which ever has the highest probability, the dog can be categorized under that species.

3) What specific supervised or unsupervised learning methods/models you would like to propose to your supervisor

Your Answer: Given that this is a classification problem, I'd suggest using a Naïve-Bayes Classifier to execute this endeavor.

4. **(15 points, 5 points\*3) PCA**

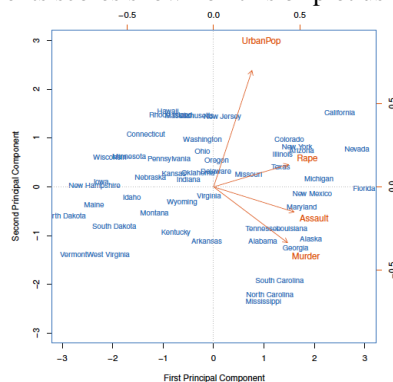
1) Based on the loading matrix from the USarrests data, which variables will be counted into PC1 and which one will be counted into PC2?

	PC1	PC2
Murder	0.5358995	-0.4181809
Assault	0.5831836	-0.1879856
UrbanPop	0.2781909	0.8728062
Rape	0.5434321	0.1673186

Your Answer:

Based on the loading matrix, the variables Murder, Assault, and Rape will be counted in PC1 and thus indicate the measure of overall rates of serious crimes. A high correlation between the variables is observed. The variable, UrbanPop, will be counted in PC2 and thus measure the level of urbanization in the state.

2) What are the principal components scores shown on this bi-plot using USarrest data?



Your Answer: The PC loading scores for each variable is -> Murder(0.52, -0.41), Assault(0.58, -0.18), UrbanPop(0.27, 0.87), Rape(0.54, 0.16). The negative sign indicates the direction.

3) What do the arrows indicate in the above bi-plot using USarrest data?

Your Answer: The arrows in the biplot indicate the first two principal components' loading vectors.

5. (5 points) Write the K-means **pseudo code** for choosing 3-clusters for a sample of 200 cases with 3 attributes  
Your Answer:

Select 3 points as the initial centroids

Repeat:

Form 3 clusters by assigning all 100 points to the closest centroid

Recompute the centroid of each cluster

Compare each individual's distance to its updated cluster mean and to that of the other cluster

Until:

The centroids don't change

6. (10 points) Write the **pseudo code** for using agglomerative hierarchical clustering to cluster 100 patients with 2 attributes and using a dendrogram to choose 3 clusters for this data.

Your answer:  $n = 100$

Begin with '100' observations and a measure of all the  $(n * (n - 1))/3$  pairwise dissimilarities. Treat each observation as its cluster.

For  $(i = n, n-1, \dots, 2)$  :

Examine all pairwise inter-cluster dissimilarities among the clusters and identify the pair of clusters that are least dissimilar. Fuse the two clusters.

Compute the new pairwise inter-cluster dissimilarities among the remaining clusters.