

19 essay questions

All questions were theoretical questions covering all topics with no proofs or math problems

Total marks: 120 (1 mark/min)

- 1) Define the Machine Learning Recipe
- 2) What's the key idea of the Adaboost algorithm ? Explain using a diagram :D
- 3) Why can't adaboost work for more than binary classification? How would you modify it to work for more?
  - a) Because it may give us negative weights in some cases.
  - b) We added the term  $\log(k - 1)$  to the weight.
- 4) What's the difference between wrapper method and filter method for feature selection?
  - a) Wrapper method: select features by taking into consideration the classifier you will use. for example: SFS and SBS.
  - b) Filter Method: select features without taking into consideration the classifier you will use. for example: correlations of the features and the distance between class means.
- 5) Compare between AI, ML, & DL
  - a) AI: it's categorized into 4 categories. Thinking humanly, acting humanly, thinking rationally and acting rationally. Most computer scientists consider it as acting rationally.
  - b) ML: it's a subset of AI where computers are learning from examples.
  - c) DL: it's a subset of ML where we use multi-layered neural networks.
- 6) If u train a neural network and get 54% training accuracy and 51% validation accuracy, explain what u will do next
- 7) Explain with examples the linear perceptron update rule (Withrow Hoff wala mesh faker esmo eh)
- 8) Explain the naive estimator method, write the formula used and compare it to histogram analysis
  - a) We perform a range analysis for each  $x$ .
  - b)  $P = (\text{\#points falling in } [x-(h/2), x+(h/2)]) / (M \cdot h)$
  - c) It's the same as histogram analysis but instead of partitioning the feature space into pre-specified ranges, we take a range around each  $x$ . So the naive estimator is smoother than the histogram.
- 9) Explain the kernel density estimation technique
  - a) We apply a bump function on each  $x$  so that we take into consideration the weight effect of each  $x$ . where the bump function should be CDF.
- 10) Explain why relu is used instead of sigmoid
- 11) Explain the least square classifier. No need for proof
- 12) What are the main issues in GMM?
- 13) types of features to be removed in feature selection method
  - a) Irrelevant features
  - b) Correlated features

- 14) Explain regularization and why it is used
- 15) the importance of statistical testing.
- 16) Explain how bayes rule can be used in classification
  - a) We calculate  $P(x | C_i) * P(C_i)$  for each class then we classify  $x$  for the class that give the highest value for  $P(x | C_i) * P(C_i)$ .
- 17) Explain the importance of deseasonalization using diagrams.
- 18) State the disadvantages of backpropagation.
- 19) Explain the three methods used to update weights