Master of Technology

U2/6: Computational Intelligence I

CA2: SVM

Dr TIAN Jing Institute of Systems Science, National University of Singapore Email: tianjing@nus.edu.sg

© 2018 NUS. The contents contained in this document may not be reproduced in any form or by any means, without the written permission of ISS, NUS other than for the purpose for which it has been supplied.

ISS

Page: 2 of 8

ATA/KE-CI1/SVM.CA2/v1.0

© 2018, NUS. All Rights Reserved.

CA2 assignment overview

- Total CA2: 15 marks
 - 1. Reading assignment: 6 marks
 - 2. Programming assignment: 9 marks
- Team work
 - » 3-5 students per team
 - » You are encouraged to work with the same team of your CA1

1. Reading assignment (6 marks)

Select **1 (ONE)** paper from any of the following conferences published in past three years (2015-2018). Summarize (not copy paste) and report your finding and understanding in presentation slides.

- Annual Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NIPS), https://papers.nips.cc/
- AAAI Conference on Artificial Intelligence (AAAI), https://www.aaai.org/Library/AAAI/aaai-library.php
- International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR), https://iclr.cc/Conferences/Papers
- International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML), https://icml.cc/

ATA/KE-CI1/SVM.CA2/v1.0

© 2018, NUS. All Rights Reserved.



Page: 4 of 8

1. Reading assignment (6 marks)

- Deliverable
 - » 1 Powerpoint slide, *.ppt or *.pptx format, not longer than 10 pages, including all cover pages, references, etc.
 - » 1 pdf copy of the paper you studied
- Grading criterion
 - » Your understanding of the novelty of the paper
 - » Your understanding of the use case of the approach proposed in the paper
 - » Your finding on limitation and potential improvement of the approach proposed in the paper



2. Programming assignment

- Objective: Apply the SVM knowledge discussed in class to a applied Multi-class classification project.
- Identify a multi-class classification topic that you are interested in the theme of HEALTHCARE, URBAN, FINTECH, which are three strategic area of AlSingapore https://www.aisingapore.org/grandchallenge/
- Obtain dataset related to your business topic, e.g., https://github.com/awesomedata/awesome-public-datasets or other public available dataset

ATA/KE-CI1/SVM.CA2/v1.0

© 2018, NUS. All Rights Reserved.



Page: 6 of 8

2. Programming assignment

- Grading guideline
 - » Baseline approach (3 marks), e.g., it could be a SVM approach with default parameters provided by toolbox.
 - » Your improved approach (6 marks).
 - Improve your baseline approach, e.g., apply feature engineering, fine tuning of SVM model parameters, with help of other machine learning methods, etc.
 - Justify your improved approach in experiments with performance indices.
 - You are only allowed to use SVM as a classifier, although you can use deep neural network as feature engineering.
 - No ensemble learning approach is allowed.



2. Programming assignment

Deliverable

- » 1 report, *.doc or *.docx format, not longer than 5 pages including all text, figures, tables, references, using the double-column template file "CA2 Report WordTemplate.doc" downloaded in "KE5206\\Lecture Notes\\Day 4 and Day 5 AM (Tian Jing)".
- » 1 softcopy of your sourcecode written in any programming language. You don't need to include your dataset in your submission if the dataset file size is too big.

ATA/KE-CI1/SVM.CA2/v1.0
© 2018, NUS. All Rights Reserved.

ISS

Page: 8 of 8

CA2 assignment submission

- Submission deadline: 15 May 2018
- Zip all your files of these two assignments into a single zipped file. Please submit only one ZIP file from each team.
- Submit to folder "IVLE KE5206\\Student Submission\\CA2 (Tian Jing)" in IVLE.