Machine learning exam program

ml-mipt advanced, spring 2021

Natural Language Processing

- 1. Embeddings
- 2. word2vec: linearity, skip-gram, negative sampling
- 3. Unsupervised translation approach
- 4. Ways to work with text data (RNN, CNN, classical approaches)
- 5. Attention, Self-attention approaches
- 6. Transformer structure
- 7. Machine translation metrics, quality functions
- 8. BERT structure, main ideas

Reinforcement Learning

- 9. RL problem statement. State, Action, Reward, Environment, Action
- 10. Crossentropy method
- 11. Value function, Q-function
- 12. Q-learning, approximate Q-learning. DQN, bells and whistles (Experience replay, Double DQN, autocorrelation problem)
- 13. Policy gradient and REINFORCE algorithm
 - a. Baseline idea, A2C
- 14. Policy gradient applications in other domains (outside RL). How Self-Critical Sequence Training is performed? What is used as a baseline?

Computer Vision

- 15. Computer Vision problem statements: classification, detection, segmentation
- 16. Metrics in CV: IoU, mAP
- 17. Main datasets: PASCAL VOC, ImageNet, COCO, OpenImages
- 18. R-CNN -> Fast -> Faster structure, main ideas, metrics and performance
- 19. Focal Loss
- 20. Non Maximum Suppression algorithm
- 21. YOLO v1 -> v3 main ideas
- 22. Separable convolutions
- 23. MobleNet v1, v2 blocks
- 24. Upsampling methods: poolings, transposed convolutions
- 25. FCN, DeconvNet, SegNet
- 26. U-Net
- 27. Mask R-CNN
- 28. Neural style transfer technique
- 29. Model compression methods (distillation and quantization concepts)
- 30. KL divergence. Relations to crossentropy

- 31. Variational Autoencoders: structure, loss function, training process
- 32. Generative Adversarial Networks: structure, loss function, training process

Theoretical minimum

- 1. KL-divergence
- 2. Log derivative trick
- 3. Metrics in CV: IoU, mAP
- 4. Value function, Q-function
- 5. Focal Loss
- 6. Attention mechanism (motivation, main idea, Bahdanau & Luong attention scores)