

Faculty of Engineering

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IT3EA10 Pattern Recognition

Programme	:	B.Tech.	Branch/Specialisation	:	IT
Duration	:	3 hours	Maximum Marks	:	60

Note: All questions are compulsory. Internal choices, if any, are indicated. Assume suitable data if necessary.
 Notations and symbols have their usual meaning.

Section 1 (Answer all question(s))				Marks CO BL
Q1. In Bayes Decision Theory, what does the prior probability represent?				1 1 2
<input type="radio"/> The probability of making a correct decision	<input checked="" type="radio"/> The probability of an event occurring before observing the data			
<input type="radio"/> The likelihood of an event given some evidence	<input type="radio"/> The probability of the observed data occurring			
Q2. Which of the following algorithms is commonly used for classification in supervised learning?				1 1 1
<input type="radio"/> K-Means	<input type="radio"/> Hierarchical clustering			
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Support vector machine	<input type="radio"/> DBSCAN			
Q3. In the Gaussian case of MLE, which parameters are estimated for a normal distribution?				1 2 1
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Mean (μ) and Variance (σ^2)	<input type="radio"/> Mean (μ) and Median			
<input type="radio"/> Standard Deviation (σ) and Range	<input type="radio"/> Mode and Interquartile Range			
Q4. What is the main advantage of using a Hidden Markov Model (HMM)?				1 2 1
<input type="radio"/> It provides a deterministic approach to sequential data	<input checked="" type="radio"/> It efficiently models sequences with hidden states			
<input type="radio"/> It eliminates all uncertainties in time-series data	<input type="radio"/> It can only be used for classification problems			
Q5. What is the primary goal of dimensionality reduction?				1 3 1
<input type="radio"/> To increase the number of features in a dataset	<input type="radio"/> To improve model accuracy by adding more dimensions			
<input checked="" type="radio"/> To reduce the number of input variables while retaining important information	<input type="radio"/> To create completely new data points			
Q6. The K-Nearest Neighbors (K-NN) algorithm is classified as a:				1 3 1
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Supervised learning method	<input type="radio"/> Parametric algorithm			
<input type="radio"/> Unsupervised clustering . . . algorithm	<input type="radio"/> Deep learning technique			
Q7. Which of the following is NOT a type of clustering algorithm?				1 4 1
<input type="radio"/> Hierarchical clustering	<input type="radio"/> K-Means clustering			
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Decision trees	<input type="radio"/> Agglomerative clustering			
Q8. In K-Means clustering, the number of clusters (K) is:				1 4 1
<input type="radio"/> Automatically determined by the algorithm	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Fixed and set by the user			
<input type="radio"/> Equal to the number of data points	<input type="radio"/> Always greater than 10			

Q9. What is the primary objective of a Support Vector Machine (SVM)?

1 5 1

- Minimize the number of support vectors
- Maximize the margin between different classes
- Minimize the Euclidean distance between points
- Perform hierarchical clustering

Q10. Optical Character Recognition (OCR) is primarily used for:

1 5 1

- Speech recognition
- Converting handwritten or . printed text into digital text
- Identifying biometric fingerprints
- Image segmentation

Section 2 (Answer all question(s))

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Q11. What is the difference between supervised and unsupervised learning?

4 1 2

Rubric	Marks
1 mark for each 4 differences	4

Q12. (a) Explain the process of constructing a Decision Tree. Discuss how entropy and information gain are used in the splitting process with an example.

6 1 3

Rubric	Marks
Explain the process of constructing a Decision Tree.	3
Discuss how entropy and information gain are used in the splitting process with an example.	3

(OR)

- (b)** What are different steps involved in pattern recognition task. Discuss each step in detail.

Rubric	Marks
Steps	3
Explanation of any 3 steps	3

Section 3 (Answer all question(s))

Marks CO BL

Q13. Explain how the Gibbs Sampling algorithm helps in approximating probability distributions.

4 2 1

Rubric	Marks
Algorithm	4

Q14. (a) Explain the working of Hidden Markov Models with an example. Write down the Forward-Backward Algorithm of training HMMs with example.

6 2 2

Rubric	Marks
Explanation	3
Algorithm with example	3

(OR)

- (b)** Derive the maximum likelihood estimation formula for a Gaussian distribution.

Rubric	Marks
Derivation	6

Section 4 (Answer all question(s))

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Q15. Explain the curse of dimensionality and its effect on machine learning models.

3 3 2

Rubric	Marks
Any 3 effects	3

Q16. (a) Explain the working of Principal Component Analysis (PCA) with mathematical formulation and an example.

7 3 3

Rubric	Marks
Maths Steps	3.5
Example	3.5

(OR)

(b)	Data Points	Feature 1	Feature 2	Class Label
D1	2	4	1	
D2	3	5	1	
D3	4	6	2	
D4	5	7	2	
D5	8	9	2	

Consider above dataset of 5 data points. Using k-nn with k=3 calculate class label for data (7,10).

Rubric	Marks
Complete numerical	7

Section 5 (Answer all question(s))

Marks CO BL

Q17. What are the main steps involved in the K-Means clustering algorithm, with example?

5 4 2

Rubric	Marks
Algorithm	2.5
Example	2.5

Q18. (a) Describe the agglomerative clustering algorithm. Explain different linkage methods.

5 4 2

Rubric	Marks
Algorithm	2.5
Different linkage	2.5

(OR)

(b) Define clustering and its types with examples.

Rubric	Marks
Definition	2
1 mark for each 3 types	3

Section 6 (Answer any 2 question(s))

Marks CO BL

Q19. Explain the working of Support Vector Machines (SVM) with an example. How does it classify data points? **5 5 1**

Rubric	Marks
Working	2.5
Classification Process	2.5

Q20. How does speech recognition work? Explain with suitable diagram. **5 5 1**

Rubric	Marks
Speech Recognition working	3
Diagram	2

Q21. Explain working of face recognition system with suitable diagram. **5 5 1**

Rubric	Marks
Working	3
Diagram	2
