



Faculty of Engineering

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IT3EA10 Pattern Recognition

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| 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 |
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| 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 |
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| 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 |
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| 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 |
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| Steps | 3 |
| Explanation of any 3 steps | 3 |

Section 3 (Answer all question(s))

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- Q13.** Explain how the Gibbs Sampling algorithm helps in approximating probability distributions. 4 2 1

| Rubric | Marks |
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| 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.

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| 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 |
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| 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 |
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| 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).

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| Complete numerical | 7 |

Section 5 (Answer all question(s))

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

5 4 2

| Rubric | Marks |
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| 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 |
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| Definition | 2 |
| 1 mark for each 3 types | 3 |

Section 6 (Answer any 2 question(s))

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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 |
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| Speech Recognition working | 3 |
| Diagram | 2 |

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

| Rubric | Marks |
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| Working | 3 |
| Diagram | 2 |
