



End Term (EVEN) Semester Examination June 2025

Roll no.

Name of the Course and Semester: M.Tech. CSE & II

Name of the Paper: Data Science and NLP

Paper Code: MCS 251

Maximum Marks: 100

Note:

- (i) All the questions are compulsory.
- (ii) Answer any two sub questions from a, b and c in each main question.
- (iii) Total marks for each question is 20 (twenty).
- (iv) Each sub-question carries 10 marks.

Q1. (2X10=20 Marks)

- a. Analyze a failed data science project of banking domain and explain which step(s) of the five-step process could have contributed to the failure. CO1
- b. Discuss challenges in real-time data collection from IoT devices and how they affect preprocessing pipelines. CO1
- c. Explain how data storage strategies differ for structured vs. unstructured data in a cloud-native environment. CO1

Q2. (2X10=20 Marks)

- a. Design a machine learning workflow to detect fraudulent transactions. Explain algorithm choice, features, and evaluation. CO2
- b. Explore the theoretical limitations of using accuracy as a metric in a multi-class classification problem. CO2
- c. In what ways does prior knowledge of probability distributions influence model assumptions in supervised learning? CO2

Q3. (2X10=20 Marks)

- a. How can IQR and standard deviation together be used to detect outliers in a mixed-distribution dataset? CO3
- b. Discuss regression assumptions and explain what diagnostic plots you would use to validate them. CO3
- c. Design a hypothesis test to compare two different machine learning models' performances on the same dataset. CO3

Q4. (2X10=20 Marks)

- a. How would you use SQL to create a cohort analysis of users from a SaaS platform? Provide logic and query structure. CO4
- b. Discuss performance implications of various JOIN strategies in large-scale analytics databases. CO4
- c. Write a SQL script that transforms raw event logs into a user behavior summary using CTEs and window functions. CO4

Q5. (2X10=20 Marks)

- a. Build the logic for a domain-specific chatbot (e.g., mental health or banking). Discuss NLP pipeline design and limitations. CO5
- b. What are the challenges of applying POS tagging to morphologically rich languages? How can transfer learning help? CO5
- c. Explain how transformer models have revolutionized traditional NLP tasks. Compare with RNN-based approaches. CO5