

ASSIGNMENT – 2 MACHINE LEARNING

Q1 to Q11 have only one correct answer. Choose the correct option to answer your question.

— 1. Movie Recommendation systems are an example of: i) Classification

— ii) Clustering

iii) Regression Options:

ans - a) 2 Only

2. Sentiment Analysis is an example of: i) Regression

— ii) Classification

— iii) Clustering

iv) Reinforcement Options:

ans - d) 1, 2 and 4

3. Can decision trees be used for performing clustering?

Ans - a) True

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— 4. Which of the following is the most appropriate strategy for data cleaning before performing clustering analysis, given less than desirable number of data points: i) Capping and flooring of variables

ii) Removal of outliers Options:

ans - a) 1 only

5. What is the minimum no. of variables/ features required to perform clustering?

Ans - b) 1

6. For two runs of K-Mean clustering is it expected to get same clustering results?

Ans - b) No

7. Is it possible that Assignment of observations to clusters does not change between successive iterations in K-Means?

Ans - a) Yes

8. Which of the following can act as possible termination conditions in K-Means? i) For a fixed number of iterations.

— ii) Assignment of observations to clusters does not change between iterations. Except for cases with a bad local minimum.

— iii) Centroids do not change between successive iterations.

iv) Terminate when RSS falls below a threshold. Options:

ans - d) All of the above

9. Which of the following algorithms is most sensitive to outliers?

Ans - a) K-means clustering algorithm

— 10. How can Clustering (Unsupervised Learning) be used to improve the accuracy of Linear Regression model (Supervised Learning): i) Creating different models for different cluster groups.

— ii) Creating an input feature for cluster ids as an ordinal variable.

— iii) Creating an input feature for cluster centroids as a continuous variable.

iv) Creating an input feature for cluster size as a continuous variable. Options:

ans -) All of the above

11. What could be the possible reason(s) for producing two different dendrograms using agglomerative clustering algorithms for the same dataset?

Ans - d) All of the above

Q12 to Q14 are subjective answers type questions, Answers them in their own words briefly

12. Is K sensitive to outliers?

Ans - The K-means clustering algorithm is sensitive to outliers, because a mean is easily influenced by extreme values. K-medoids clustering is a variant of K-means that is more robust to noises and outliers.

13. Why is K means better?

Ans - Guarantees convergence. Can warm-start the positions of centroids. Easily adapts to new examples.

Generalizes to clusters of different shapes and sizes, such as elliptical clusters

14. Is K means a deterministic algorithm?

Ans - One of the significant drawbacks of K-Means is its non-deterministic nature. K-Means starts with a random set of data points as initial centroids. This random selection influences the quality of the resulting clusters.

Besides, each run of the algorithm for the same dataset may yield a different output