INF8245E(Fall 2021): Machine Learning Given on: Aug 30, 08 am

• The goal of this assignment is a self-assessment on fundamental problems from Probability Theory, Linear Algebra and Real Analysis. This assignment will NOT be graded.

Due on: Sept 13, 10 pm

- This is an individual assignment. Collaborations and discussions with others regarding the problems and solutions are strictly prohibited.
- You have to submit the pdf copy of the assignment on gradescope before the deadline. If you handwrite your solutions, you need to scan the pages, merge them to a single pdf file and submit.
- Your future assignments will not be graded if you fail to submit assignment-0.
- Honour Code: Please write out the following, digitally sign it or type your name under it and return it along with your assignment.

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## **Probability Theory**

Assignment #0

- 1. (a) The Smiths have two children. At least one of them is a boy. What is the probability that both children are boys?
  - (b) Suppose that 5% of men and 0.25% of women are color-blind. A person is chosen at random and that person is color-blind. What is the probability that the person is male? Assume males and females to be in equal numbers.
- 2. Abdel, a TA for INF8245E, will give the students a minimum mark of 1. The highest mark he would give, depending on his mood, will be based on this distribution function

$$F_Y(y) = P(Y \le y) = 1 - \frac{1}{y^2}, 1 \le y < \infty$$

- (a) Verify that  $F_Y(y)$  is a cdf.
- (b) Find  $f_Y(y)$ , the pdf of Y.
- (c) Arjun, however, gives a minimum mark of 0, and uses a different marking scale that is 1/10th of Abdel's, and the highest mark becomes Z = 10(Y 1). Find  $F_Z(z)$  and  $f_Z(z)$ .

3. Let X have the pdf

$$f(x) = \frac{4}{\beta^3 \sqrt{\pi}} x^2 e^{-x^2/\beta^2}, 0 < x < \infty, \beta > 0$$

- (a) Verify that f(x) is a pdf.
- (b) Find E(X) and Var(X).
- 4. The random pair (X, Y) has the distribution:

- (a) Show that X and Y are dependent.
- (b) Give a probability table for random variables U and V that have the same marginals as X and Y but are independent.

## Linear Algebra

- 5. Let  $u, v \in \mathbb{R}^d$  be two vectors of dimension d and let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d}$  be a  $n \times d$  matrix. Answer the following questions.
  - (a) Give a formula for the euclidean norm  $(L_2 \text{ norm})$  of the vector u. (You can give either a closed-form formula, or an expanded one in terms of the components of the vector,  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_d$ .)
  - (b) Give a formula for the dot product (also called inner product) of the vectors u and v. (Again, you can give either a closed-form formula, or an expanded one. For the expanded formula, feel free to use the summation notation  $\Sigma$  to reduce clutter.) What is the dimension of the inner product? (scalar, vector, or matrix?)
  - (c) Give a formula for the matrix-vector product of the matrix A and the vector u. This product is written as Au. The formula that you write, should be in terms of the components of the corresponding matrix and vector.
  - (d) Write the Frobenius norm of the matrix A in terms of its components. Notice that you can easily do this by using the summation notation  $\sum$ .
  - (e) What are the dimensions of  $A^TA$  and  $AA^T$ ?
- 6. Let  $E_1$  be a set of eigenvectors with eigenvalue  $\lambda_1$  and  $E_2$  be a set of eigenvectors with eigenvalue  $\lambda_2 \neq \lambda_1$ .

Prove or disprove the following statement -

There exists a vector in  $E_2$  which can be expressed as a linear combination of vectors in  $E_1$ .

- 7. You are given that the eigenvalues of a matrix A are 3, 2 and 2. What can you tell about the following statements?
  - (a) A is invertible
  - (b) A is diagonalizable

Your answer can be "yes", "no" or "depends". For each one, give arguments and/or examples to support your answer.

- 8. For a matrix A of size  $n \times n$  you are told that all its n eigen vectors are independent. Let S denote the matrix whose columns are the n eigen vectors of A.
  - (a) Is A invertible?
  - (b) Is A diagonalizable?
  - (c) If S invertible?
  - (d) Is S diagonalizable?

Your answer can be "yes", "no" or "depends". For each one, give arguments and/or examples to support your answer.

## Real Analysis

- 9. Compute the first order differentiation for the following functions. Show the steps and clearly mention the differentiation rule used to arrive at that step.
  - (a)  $y = x^4(\sin x^3 \cos x^2)$ . Find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$ .
  - (b)  $y = 12x^4 5x^2 + 15$ . Find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$ .
  - (c)  $y = \log p$ ,  $p = x^2$ . Find  $\frac{\partial y}{\partial x}$ .
- 10. Compute the minima and maxima of the following function.
  - (a)  $f(x) = x^3 6x^2 + 9x + 15$
  - (b) Now, use first and second order derivatives to identify which of the critical points are minima and maxima without directly evaluating f(x), the value of the function at the critical points.