

ECE 47300: Midterm 1 (Spring 2023), Version: C

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1. (2 points) Select all the reasons that dimensionality reduction may be helpful:
  - ☒ Noise reduction via reconstruction
  - ☒ Visualization
  - ☒ Lower computational costs
2. (2 points) What was the main strength(s) of the first wave of AI called "Handcrafted Knowledge" according to DARPA's perspective (e.g. chess, TurboTax, rule-based scheduling systems)? Select all that apply.
  - ☐ Perceiving
  - ☐ Abstracting
  - ☒ Reasoning
  - ☐ Learning
3. (2 points) Assuming that  $A, B, C, D$  are  $3 \times 3$  matrices, which of the following statements are ALWAYS true? Select all that apply.
  - ☐  $A(B + C) = AB + CA$
  - ☒  $C(A + B) = CA + CB$
  - ☐  $(AB)^T = A^T B^T$
  - ☒  $ABC + ABD = (AB)(D + C)$
  - ☒  $A$  is not singular if and only if  $\text{rank}(A) = 3$
4. (2 points) Numpy has two types of 1D arrays: column vectors and row vectors.
  - ☐ True
  - ☒ False
5. (2 points) If  $X = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ -3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  what is  $\|X\|_F^2$ ?
 

Answer:
6. (2 points) What is the  $\ell_\infty$ -norm of the vector  $\mathbf{x} = [-1, -2, 3, -5, -4, 3, -9, 1]$  (i.e., what is  $\|\mathbf{x}\|_\infty$ )?
 

Answer:
7. (2 points) If  $X_c = USV^T$  is the SVD decomposition of the centered matrix and  $\Sigma_x = \frac{1}{n}X_c^T X_c$  is the covariance matrix whose eigendecomposition is  $Q\Lambda Q^T$ , which of the following are solutions of the principal component vectors for the dataset  $X_c$  (i.e.,  $W^*$ )?
  - ☐  $U_{1:k}$
  - ☐  $S_{1:k}$
  - ☒  $V_{1:k}$
  - ☐  $\Sigma_{1:k}$
  - ☒  $Q_{1:k}$
  - ☐  $\Lambda_{1:k}$

8. (2 points) Suppose  $x = [10, 5]^T$  and  $w = [\frac{3}{5}, \frac{4}{5}]^T$  (note  $\|w\|_2 = 1$ ). What is the solution to  $\arg \min_z \|x - zw\|_2^2$ ?

- ☐  $z^* = 5$
- ☐  $z^* = 8$
- ☐  $z^* = 11$
- ☒ None of the above / Many possible solutions

9. (2 points) Suppose  $X_c \in \mathbb{R}^{100 \times 10}$  and  $X_c$  has a rank of 8. If we run PCA with  $k = 6$  latent dimensions, what will be the PCA reconstruction error?

- ☒ Greater than 0
- ☐ 0
- ☐ Less than 0

10. (2 points) Cross validation provides a good estimate of a model's performance even if the real-world test distribution of unseen data is different from the training dataset.

- ☐ True
- ☒ False

11. (2 points) The KNN algorithm uses less computation during training rather than test/inference time.

- ☒ True
- ☐ False

12. (2 points) Let  $\theta = [1, 5, 1, 0]^T$  be the parameters of a 3 dimensional linear regression model  $f_\theta$  (where  $\theta_4$  is the intercept term). What is  $f_\theta(x + [1, 0, 3, 7]^T) - f_\theta(x)$ ?

- ☐ 1
- ☐ 2
- ☐ 3
- ☒ 4
- ☐ Impossible to know given the available information

13. (2 points) Deep learning methods will always perform better than linear methods because they can model non-linear functions.

- ☐ True
- ☒ False

14. (2 points) Gradient descent will not converge to a local optimum for any fixed step size.

- ☒ True
- ☐ False

15. (2 points) Stochastic gradient descent computes the full gradient as in gradient descent but then explicitly adds noise to make the gradient stochastic.

- ☐ True
- ☒ False

16. (2 points) If  $\lambda \geq 0$ ,  $R$  is a regularizer,  $\theta$  is the model parameters, and  $\mathcal{D}$  is the training dataset, what is the regularized optimization problem?

- ☐  $\min_{\theta} \mathcal{L}(\theta, \mathcal{D}) - \lambda R(\theta)$
- ☐  $\min_{\theta} \mathcal{L}(\theta, \mathcal{D}) - \lambda R(\mathcal{D})$
- ☒  $\min_{\theta} \mathcal{L}(\theta, \mathcal{D}) + \lambda R(\theta)$
- ☐  $\min_{\theta} \mathcal{L}(\theta, \mathcal{D}) + \lambda R(\mathcal{D})$

17. (2 points) Which optimization problem is most likely to have exact zeros in the solution for  $\theta$ ?

- ☐  $\arg \min_{\theta} \|\mathbf{y} - X\theta\|_2^2$
- ☒  $\arg \min_{\theta} \|\mathbf{y} - X\theta\|_2^2 + 10\|\theta\|_1^2$
- ☐  $\arg \min_{\theta} \|\mathbf{y} - X\theta\|_2^2 + 10\|\theta\|_2^1$
- ☐  $\arg \min_{\theta} \|\mathbf{y} - X\theta\|_2^2 + 10\|\theta\|_{\infty}^3$

18. (2 points) Suppose  $f$  is a complex non-linear function (e.g., a deep model), and you know that the unique solution of  $\arg \min_z f(z)$  is  $z^* = 5$ , i.e.,  $\arg \min_z f(z) = 5$ . What is the solution of  $\arg \min_v g(v)$ , where  $g(v) = 3f(4v + 3) - 3$ ?

- ☐  $v^* = -0.5$
- ☐  $v^* = 0$
- ☒  $v^* = 0.5$
- ☐ Knowing the solution given the information in the question is impossible.

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19. (2 points) Suppose the input tensor is an CIFAR-10 image (32x32 size with 3 channels) and we apply a "2 × 2" convolution with 9 filters, no padding, and a stride of 1, how many channels will the output of the convolution have?

Answer:

20. (2 points) Suppose the input is a MNIST image (28x28 size with only 1 channel) and we perform a 3x3 convolution with a padding of 1 on all sides and a stride of 1. What will be the width dimension of the output?

Answer:

21. (2 points) If we perform a 1D convolution where the input length is 6 and the filter/kernel is size 2 with no padding and a stride of 2, what will the length of the output be?

Answer:

22. You are given a Python function to classify tweets as "spam", "not-spam", or "toxic". Provide this function's predictions for each Tweet below.

```
def classify_tweet(tweet):
    spam_words = ['free', 'buy', 'cheap', 'discount', 'limited', 'offer', 'sale']
    toxic_words = ['hate', 'killer', 'attack', 'terrific', 'abuse', 'bully', 'hurt', 'racist']

    spam_word_count = 0

    for word in tweet:
        if word in spam_words:
            spam_word_count += 1
        if word in toxic_words:
            return 'toxic'

    if spam_word_count > 1:
        return 'spam'
    else:
        return 'not spam'
```

- (a) (1 point) It's a limited-time offer, so buy now!  
(True label = spam, Predicted label = )
- (b) (1 point) Best deal with a huge discount on the purchase of this iPhone.  
(True label = spam, Predicted label = )
- (c) (1 point) That was a killer performance.  
(True label = not spam, Predicted label = )
- (d) (1 point) They did a terrific job painting my house.  
(True label = not spam, Predicted label = )
- (e) (3 points) What words should be added or removed (if any) from the above lists to make the classifier accurate on all the samples above? (One or more may be left blank.)

- Add  to
- Add  to
- Remove  from
- Remove  from

23. Recall the following equation from the Power Iteration method for calculating PCA of sparse matrices. 6  

$$v^{(i)} = X^T(Xv^{(i-1)} - \mu(\mathbf{1}^T(Xv^{(i-1)})) - (X^T\mathbf{1})(\mu^T v^{(i-1)}) + \mu(\mathbf{1}^T\mathbf{1})(\mu^T v^{(i-1)}))$$
  
 We initialize the variables in the following manner:

```
# X is of shape (n, d)
v = np.random.randn(X.shape[1])
one_vec = np.ones(X.shape[0])
mu = np.array(np.mean(X, axis=0)).squeeze()
```

Write the shapes in terms of "n" and "d" where the format of the shape should be "(a, b)" for 2D arrays or "(a,)" for 1D arrays.

- (a) (1 point) Shape of v:
- (b) (1 point) Shape of one\_vec:
- (c) (1 point) Shape of mu:
- (d) (2 points) Shape of  $\mu(\mathbf{1}^T\mathbf{1})(\mu^T v^{(i-1)})$ :
- (e) (2 points) Shape of  $X(\mu(\mathbf{1}^T\mathbf{1})(\mu^T v^{(i-1)}))X^T\mathbf{1}$ :

24. Suppose the following are matrices and their shapes.

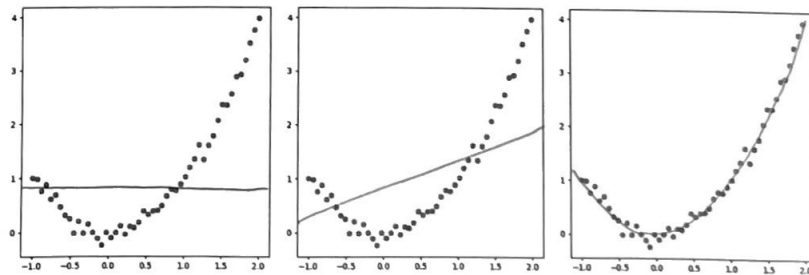
$X : (100, 50), Y : (50, 1), Z : (100, 1)$

If the operation is valid, write the shape of the output in the format "(a,b)". If the operation is not valid, write "Invalid".

- (a) (2 points)  $X^TZY$ :
- (b) (2 points)  $X^T(ZY^T)$ :
- (c) (2 points)  $XYZ^TX^T(ZY^T)$ :
- (d) (2 points)  $XYZ^TX(ZY^T)$ :

25. We want to fit the given data with varying degrees of the polynomial, i.e., the prediction  $\hat{y} = \theta_0 + \theta_1x + \theta_2x^2 + \dots + \theta_dx^d$ .

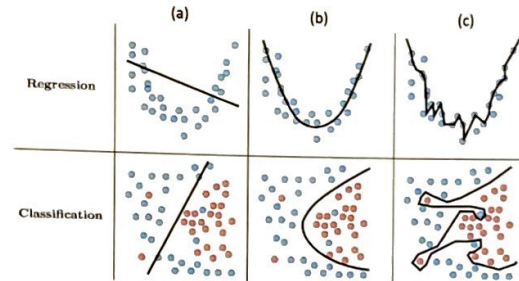
- (a) (6 points) For each box below, draw the approximate fitted polynomial for the given polynomial degree.



(a) Polynomial Degree = 0    (b) Polynomial Degree = 1    (c) Polynomial Degree = 2

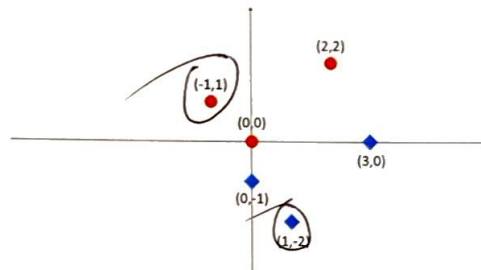
- (b) (1 point) Which degree will likely generalize the best to new data?  $d =$

26. We have learned model generalization. Solve the questions below referring to the following figure.



- (a) (2 points) Select one that correctly diagnoses (a)-(c)
- ☐ (a) overfitting, (b) overfitting, (c) underfitting
  - ☒ (a) underfitting, (b) just right (c) overfitting
  - ☐ (a) just right, (b) overfitting (c) overfitting
  - ☐ (a) underfitting, (b) overfitting (c) overfitting
- (b) (2 points) Select *all* that correctly describe (a)
- ☒ High training error
  - ☐ Low training error
  - ☒ High testing error
  - ☐ Low testing error
- (c) (2 points) Select *all* that correctly describe (c)
- ☐ High training error
  - ☒ Low training error
  - ☒ High testing error
  - ☐ Low testing error

27. Let red circles denote class 1 and let blue diamonds denote class 2. In this question, we would like to select the best value of  $k$  using cross validation where the number of folds is equal to the number of points (i.e., leave-one-out cross validation). The CV accuracy for  $k = 3$  neighbors is  $3/6$ . You will have to compute the CV accuracy for  $k = 1$  and  $k = 5$  in the next questions. (Note that all points are at integer locations.)



- (a) (4 points) Compute the CV accuracy for  $k = 1$  neighbors in KNN:
- ☐ 0
  - ☐  $1/6$
  - ☒  $2/6$
  - ☐  $3/6$
  - ☐  $4/6$
  - ☐  $5/6$
  - ☐ 1
- (b) (4 points) Compute the CV accuracy for  $k = 5$  neighbors in KNN:
- ☒ 0
  - ☐  $1/6$
  - ☐  $2/6$
  - ☐  $3/6$
  - ☐  $4/6$
  - ☐  $5/6$
  - ☐ 1
- (c) (1 point) What is the best  $k$ :
- ☐  $k = 1$
  - ☒  $k = 3$
  - ☐  $k = 5$



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28. Suppose we want to train a deep learning model by using 1000 training samples. Choose the appropriate training setting.

(a) (1 point) Given batch size of 10, what is the number of mini batches?

- ☐ 10
- ☒ 100
- ☐ 1,000
- ☐ 10,000
- ☐ 100,000

(b) (1 point) If we want to train the model for 100 epochs, how many times the model will go over each training sample?

- ☐ 10
- ☒ 100
- ☐ 1,000
- ☐ 10,000
- ☐ 100,000

29. Assume that the goal of the code below is to compute the covariance matrix correctly. However, the current code below contains a bug.

```
# Assume X is a 2D numpy array
n, d = X.shape
x_center = X.mean(axis=0) # (a) -
zero_centered_data = X - x_center # (b)
cov = (1/n) * np.dot(zero_centered_data.T, zero_centered_data) # (c)
```

(a) (2 points) Which line will raise an error?

- ☐ (a)
- ☒ (b)
- ☐ (c)

(b) (2 points) Which line should be changed to correctly compute the covariance matrix?

- ☐ (a)
- ☐ (b)
- ☐ (c)

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30.

Suppose we want to train a 1D linear regression model using a mean squared error (MSE) objective. For simplicity, we will assume that the model does not include a shift/bias term and is simply  $f_{\theta}(x) = \theta x$ , where both  $\theta$  and  $x$  are scalars. The training data is two points (note that  $X$  only has 1 column since this is a 1D problem):

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1.0 \\ 2.0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad y = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2.0 \\ 5.0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (1)$$

- (a) (2 points) Assuming that  $\theta = 1$ , what is the gradient of the parameters for sample 1?

$$\nabla_{\theta} \ell(y_1, f_{\theta}(x_1)) = \boxed{-2} \quad (2)$$

- (b) (2 points) Assuming that  $\theta = 1$ , what is the gradient of the parameters for sample 2?

$$\nabla_{\theta} \ell(y_2, f_{\theta}(x_2)) = \boxed{-12} \quad (3)$$

- (c) (2 points) Assuming that  $\theta = 1$  at the current iteration and the step size is  $\eta = 0.2$ , what is the updated  $\theta$  after one step of gradient descent?

$$\theta^{\text{new}} = \boxed{2.4}$$

- (d) (2 points) Assuming that  $\theta = 1$  at the current iteration, the step size is  $\eta = 0.1$ , and the batchsize is 1 (where the first sample is in the first batch), what is the updated  $\theta$  after one step of stochastic gradient descent?

$$\theta^{\text{new}} = \boxed{1.2}$$

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$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} (\theta x - y)^2 = 2(\theta x - y) x = -2$$

$$1 + 1.4 = 0.6$$