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: a) 2 Only b) 1 and 2 c) 1 and 3 d) 2 and 3

ANS CLASSIFICATON

2. Sentiment Analysis is an example of:

i) Regression ii) Classification iii) Clustering iv) Reinforcement

Options: a) 1 Only b) 1 and 2 c) 1 and 3 d) 1, 2 and 4

ANS D (1,2 and 4)

3. Can decision trees be used for performing clustering?

a) True b) False

ANS TRUE

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: a) 1 only b) 2 only c) 1 and 2 d) None of the above

ANS A (capping and flooring of variables)

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

a) 0 b) 1 c) 2 d) 3

ANS 1

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

a) Yes b) No

ANS NO

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

a) Yes b) No c) Can't say d) None of these

ANS 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 witha bad local minimum. iii) Centroids do not change between successive iterations. iv) Terminate when RSS falls below a threshold.

Options: a) 1, 3 and 4 b) 1, 2 and 3 c) 1, 2 and 4 d) All of the above

ANS all of the above

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

a) K-means clustering algorithm b) K-medians clustering algorithm c) K-modes clustering algorithm d) K-medoids clustering algorithm

ANS 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: a) 1 only b) 2 only c) 3 and 4 d) All of the above

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?

a) Proximity function used b) of data points used c) of variables used d) All of the above

ANS 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 algorithm is sensitive to the outlier because a mean is easily influenced by extreme value. K-medoids clustering is a variant of K- means that is more robust to noises and outliers.

13. Why is K means better?

ANS K-means is better because of the following reasons-

* Relatively simple to implement
* Scales to large data set
* Guarantees convergence
* Can warm start the positions of centroids
* Easily adapts to new examples
* Generalizes to clusters of different shapes and sizes, such an elliptical clusters.

14. Is K means a deterministic algorithm?

Ans The basic K-means clustering is based on a non-deterministic algorithm. This means that running the algorithm several times on the same data, could give different results.