MACHINE LEARNING ASSIGNMENT

ANSWERS:

Objective type:

- 1. d. All of the above
- 2. d. None
- 3. c. Reinforcement learning and Unsupervised learning
- 4. b. The tree representing how close the data points are to each other
- 5. d. None
- 6. c. k-nearest neighbour is same as k-means
- 7. d. 1, 2 and 3
- 8. a. 1 only
- 9. a. 2
- 10. b. Given a database of information about your users, automatically group them into different market segments.
- 11. a.
- 12. b.

Subjective type:

- 13. It provides structure and visualization tools for unsupervised learning. It also gives a starting point for semi-supervised learning algorithms (cluster a small sample, use results as labels, proceed to large sample).
- 14. The clustering performance can be improved in following ways:
 - K-means clustering algorithm can be significantly improved by using a better initialization technique, and by repeating (re-starting) the algorithm.
 - When the data has overlapping clusters, k-means can improve the results of the initialization technique.
 - When the data has well separated clusters, the performance of k-means depends completely on the goodness of the initialization.
 - Initialization using simple furthest point heuristic (Maxmin) reduces the clustering error of k-means from 15% to 6%, on average.words, an error term is a value which represents how observed data differs from actual population data.
 - It can be improved by using feature weight learning as well. To measure feature weight importance, we will have to use a weighted euclidean distance function.