

## Homework 6

*Handed Out: November 19, 2019**Due: December 13, 2019 11:59 pm*

## 1 General Instructions

- This assignment is due at 11:59 PM on the due date. We will be using Gradescope for collecting this assignment. The homework **MUST** be submitted in pdf format on gradescope Contact TAs if you face technical difficulties in submitting the assignment. We shall **NOT** accept any late submission!
- Please make sure to appropriately map/assign the pages of your submitted pdf to each sub-question listed in the homework outline. Handwritten answers are not acceptable. Name your pdf file as YourNetid-HW6.pdf
- For all questions, you need to explain the logic of your answer/result for every subpart. A result/answer without any explanation will not receive any points.
- It is OK to discuss with your classmates and your TAs regarding the methods, but it is **NOT** OK to work together or share code. Plagiarism is an academic violation to copy, to include text from other sources, including online sources, without proper citation. To get a better idea of what constitutes plagiarism, consult the CS Honor code (<http://cs.illinois.edu/academics/honor-code>) on academic integrity violations, including examples, and recommended penalties. There is a zero tolerance policy on academic integrity violations; Any student found to be violating this code will be subject to disciplinary action.
- Please use Piazza if you have questions about the homework. Also feel free to send TAs emails and come to office hours.
- Please find the link to the Ribeiro-Neto paper pdf below <sup>1</sup>.

## 2 Question 1 (2 points)

What are the similarities and differences between identifying ads in the contextual ads case and for web search case?

## 3 Question 2 (2 points)

What is the difference in click-through rates between contextual ads and web-search ads? Explain!

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<sup>1</sup><http://citeseerx.ist.psu.edu/viewdoc/download?doi=10.1.1.904.4260&rep=rep1&type=pdf>

## 4 Question 3 (6 points)

Please answer the following questions based on the Ribeiro-Neto paper [1] which was discussed in class.

1. What is the impedance mismatch problem discussed in the paper? Explain!
2. How do you solve the impedance mismatch problem?
3. Consider Figure 8 in the paper. Let us look at the line for **AAK\_EXP\_H**. We can see that for all values of recall, this method gives the higher precision. From the paper, AAK\_EXP\_H stands for *match ads and keywords with expanded triggering page, also considering the page pointed by the ad*. Explain why this method gives the highest precision.

## 5 Question 4 - Behavioral Targeting Exercise using Facebook Ad Manager (10 points)

The question details will be released within a day.

## References

- [1] Berthier Ribeiro-Neto et al. “Impedance coupling in content-targeted advertising”. In: *Proceedings of the 28th annual international ACM SIGIR conference on Research and development in information retrieval*. ACM. 2005, pp. 496–503.