



**Department of Cyber Security**  
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**Note:**

- 1. Attempt all questions**
- 2. This examination carries 45% weight towards the final grade**
- 3. Make sure to attempt all parts of a question together!**
- 4. DO NOT WRITE ANYTHING ON THE QUESTION PAPER, except your ID**
- 5. Calculators are ALLOWED**
- 6. You may consult the following formulas for answering the questions:**

**Entropy for binary classification:**

$$H(S) = -P_1 \log_2(P_1) - P_0 \log_2(P_0)$$

where  $P_1$  = proportion of Positive class and  $P_0$  = proportion of negative class

**Information Gain for attribute A:**

Information Gain of A = Entropy before split – Weighted average entropy after split on A

**Squared Loss:** 
$$L = \frac{1}{2}(h(x) - y)^2$$

**Sigmoid function:** 
$$\sigma(z) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-z}}$$

**Sigmoid derivative:** 
$$\sigma'(z) = \sigma(z)(1 - \sigma(z))$$

**Naïve Bayes theorem:** 
$$P(Y|X) = \frac{P(X|Y) P(Y)}{P(X)}$$

**Q. No 1 (CLO 1)**

**40 Marks**

a State whether the following statements are True or False. Any cutting/replacement of answer in any statement will result in zero marks for that statement.

- (i) The solutions returned by minimax and alpha-beta pruning algorithms may or may not be the same.
- (ii) k-NN is a parametric algorithm that explicitly learns weights during training.
- (iii) Unsupervised learning algorithms learn by experimentation.
- (iv) All filters in the convolution layer of a ConvNet have same weights.
- (v) RNNs are good at learning from sequences but do not do well on spatial data.

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	<p>Fill in the blanks. Any cutting/replacement of answer in a statement will result in zero marks for that statement.</p> <p>(i) The function <math>f(x) = \max(0, x)</math> is known as _____</p> <p>(ii) _____ is able to capture the long-term dependencies in sequential data which can be problematic for RNNs.</p> <p>(iii) In reinforcement learning, the value function estimates the expected _____ from a given state or state-action pair.</p> <p>(iv) When a model is too simple, it may have high bias and produce systematically incorrect predictions, which is called _____.</p> <p>(v) In CSP, the most constrained variable heuristic selects the variable which has the _____ legal remaining values.</p>	
b	<p>(i) Briefly describe the phases of parameter learning in a linear regression problem.</p> <p>(ii) Describe the difference between distance metric and linkage criteria in hierarchical clustering</p>	5
c	<p>(i) In both linear and logistic regression, the derivatives of loss w.r.t. parameters and update rules for gradient descent have the same general form:</p> $\frac{\partial J(\theta)}{\partial \theta_j} = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m (h_\theta(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)}) x_j^{(i)}$ $\theta_j := \theta_j - \alpha \frac{\partial J(\theta)}{\partial \theta_j}$ <p>Linear and logistic regression are different in their nature and application. How would you explain the similarity in their loss derivatives and update rules?</p> <p>(ii) Compare and contrast parametric and non-parametric machine learning algorithms.</p>	6+4
d	<p>(i) Distinguish between parameters and hyper-parameters of a machine learning model.</p> <p>(ii) Give two examples of parameters and hyper-parameters for ConvNets.</p>	4+6
e	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Q. No 2 (CLO 2)</b></p>	<b>30 Marks</b>
a	<p>Consider a fully connected 1-hidden layer neural network with two hidden neurons, three inputs and a single output. All neurons use <b>sigmoid</b> activation function. The Loss function is <b>squared loss</b> and learning rate is <b>0.5</b>. All the weights are initialized to 2 and biases are initialized to 0. Assume that the output is 1 for the following input:</p> <p><math>x_1 = 4, x_2 = 0, x_3 = -5</math></p> <p>(i) Draw a diagram for the above neural network and label all the inputs and outputs. Moreover, assign appropriate symbols to any intermediate variables.</p> <p>(ii) Compute the values of all variables and outputs for the forward pass.</p> <p>(iii) Derive and compute the gradient of Loss w.r.t. pre-activation for the output layer.</p>	6+6+6
b	<p>Suppose you have a training dataset consisting of 3 Boolean features <math>X_1, X_2</math>, and <math>X_3</math> where <math>X_i \in \{0, 1\}</math>. Furthermore, assume that the label is defined as <math>Y = X_1 \vee X_2</math> i.e., <math>Y = 1</math> if <math>X_1 = 1</math> or <math>X_2 = 1</math> and <math>Y = 0</math> otherwise. Suppose that your training dataset contains all of the 8 possible feature vectors as shown.</p> <p>(i) Draw the root node of the Decision Tree for this dataset and calculate the classification error.</p> <p>(ii) On which feature will you split first? Show your working in support of your answer and draw the tree after the split.</p>	3+6+3

X <sub>1</sub>	X <sub>2</sub>	X <sub>3</sub>	Y
0	0	0	0
1	0	0	1
0	1	0	1
1	1	0	1
0	0	1	0
1	0	1	1
0	1	1	1
1	1	1	1

(iii) Can you decide not to split on  $X_3$  without doing any calculations? Describe briefly.

**Q. No 3 (CLO 3)**

**30 Marks**

a	<p>(i) Suppose we need to devise a ConvNet for an image recognition application. The size of input images is 10x10 pixels. Can we use a 3x3 filter with a stride of 2 in the convolution layer? Explain your answer.</p> <p>(ii) If your answer to part (i) is <i>No</i>, propose a way to resolve the issue. Note: you cannot change the image size.</p>	4+6
b	<p>(i) Algorithms like k-Means work on continuous numerical features. Propose a way to use k-Means for data that includes both numerical and categorical features.</p> <p>(ii) Explain your proposed method with a small example.</p>	5+5
c	<p>(i) You are given a dataset where <math>y</math> is non-linear with respect to <math>x</math>. Explain why k-NN might outperform linear regression.</p> <p>(ii) Describe a scenario where linear regression might still be preferable.</p>	5+5

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