

## E-402-STFO PROBLEMS FOR MODULE E

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This module is concerned with  $k$ -nearest neighbors.

You get a perfect score for this module by getting 65 points or more.

**Problem 1** (1 point). Write a function `mEp1(x,y)` that given two vectors  $x$  and  $y$  of the same length, computes the Euclidean distance between  $x$  and  $y$ .

```
Input: x = vector([1,2,3])
       y = vector([0,-1,0.5])
Run: mEp1(x,y)
Output: 4.03
```

**Problem 2** (1 point). Write a function `mEp2(x,y)` that given two vectors  $x$  and  $y$  of the same length, computes the Manhattan distance between  $x$  and  $y$ .

```
Input: x = vector([1,2,3])
       y = vector([0,-1,0.5])
Run: mEp2(x,y)
Output: 6.5
```

**Problem 3** (2 points). Write a function `mEp3(x,y)` that given two vectors  $x$  and  $y$  of the same length, containing only 0's and 1's, computes the Hamming distance between  $x$  and  $y$ .

```
Input: x = vector([1,0,1,0])
       y = vector([1,1,0,1])
Run: mEp3(x,y)
Output: 3
```

**Problem 4** (7 points). Write a function `mEp4(x,y)` that given two vectors  $x$  and  $y$  of the same length, containing only 0's and 1's, computes the Levenshtein distance between  $x$  and  $y$ .

```
Input: x = vector([1,0,1,0])
       y = vector([1,1,0,1])
Run: mEp4(x,y)
Output: 2
```

**Problem 5** (4 points). Write a function `mEp5(x,y)` that given two vectors  $x$  and  $y$  of the same length, which is a square, computes the rank distance between the matrices constructed from the vectors.

```
Input: x = vector([1,0,1,1,1,1,0,0,1])
       y = vector([1,17,1,0,0,1,0,1,1])
Run: mEp5(x,y)
Output: 2
```

**Problem 6** (15 points). Write a function `mEp6(L,dist)` that given a list `L` of tuples,  $(P,a)$ , where  $P$  is a point (or vector) with  $n$  coordinates, and  $a$  is an integer representing the label of the point  $P$ , checks whether the points in `L` satisfy the axiom of neighborliness with respect to the distance `dist`.

```
Input: L = [ ( (1,1,1), 2 ),\
              ( (0,0,0), 1 ),\
              ( (1,0,1), 2 ),\
              ( (0,0,-1), 1 ) ]
        dist = mEp1
Run: mEp6(L,dist)
Output: True
```

**Problem 7** (15 points). Write a function `mEp7(L,J,dist)` that given a list `L` of tuples,  $(P,a)$ , where  $P$  is a point (or vector) with  $n$  coordinates, and  $a$  is an integer representing the label of the point  $P$ , and another list `J`, containing points  $Q$  that need to be labelled, outputs a labelled version of `J`, using the nearest (in the metric `dist`) labelled neighbor of each  $Q$  to guess the label. Ties should be broken by choosing the lower valued label.

```
Input: L = [ ( (1,1,1), 2 ),\
              ( (0,0,0), 1 ),\
              ( (1,0,1), 2 ),\
              ( (0,0,-1), 1 ) ]
        J = [ (0,0,1) ]
        dist = mEp1
Run: mEp7(L,J,dist)
Output: [ ( (0,0,1), 1 ) ]
```

**Problem 8** (10 points). Write a function `mEp8(L,J,dist,k)` that given a list `L` of tuples,  $(P,a)$ , where  $P$  is a point (or vector) with  $n$  coordinates, and  $a$  is an integer representing the label of the point  $P$ , and another list `J`, containing points  $Q$  that need to be labelled, outputs a labelled version of `J`, using the  $k$  nearest (in the metric `dist`) labelled neighbor of each  $Q$  to guess the label (so the most common label gets chosen). Ties should be broken by choosing the lower valued label).

```
Input: L = [ ( (1,1,1), 2 ),\
              ( (0,0,0), 1 ),\
              ( (1,0,1), 2 ),\
              ( (0,0,-1), 1 ) ]
        J = [ (0,0,1) ]
        dist = mEp1
        k = 3
Run: mEp8(L,J,dist,k)
Output: 2
```

**Problem 9** (20 points). Repeat the exploration done on the page <http://jeremykun.com/2012/08/26/k-nearest-neighbors-and-handwritten-digit-classification/> on the same data (always use the first half to train on, **do not** shuffle the data) for all the metrics above and find which  $k$  is best for each. Write a short L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X-ed report.