

MACHINE LEARNING

(Common to Computer Science & Engineering and Information Technology)

Time: 3 hours

Max. Marks: 75

*Answer any FIVE Questions
ONE Question from Each unit
All Questions Carry Equal Marks

UNIT I

- 1 a) What is target function? How do you determine the target function? Explain with the help of an example. [7]
- b) Consider a hypothesis space defined over the instances given in the following table. Give a trace of CANDIDATE-ELIMINATION algorithm learning from these instances and show G and S boundaries. [8]

Example	Sky	AirTemp	Humidity	Wind	Water	Forecast	EnjoySport
1	Sunny	Warm	Normal	Strong	Warm	Same	Yes
2	Sunny	Warm	High	Strong	Warm	Same	Yes
3	Rainy	Cold	High	Strong	Warm	Change	No
4	Sunny	Warm	High	Strong	Cool	Change	Yes

(OR)

- 2 a) Explain the intuition behind the Least Mean Square Error (LMS) with the help of an example and Describe an algorithm to learn the optimal weights to minimize LMS. [7]
- b) Explain the fundamental property of inductive inference with the help of an example. Also discuss the advantages of inductive inference. [8]

UNIT II

- 3 a) Consider the training examples given in the following table. Using ID3 find the best attribute for the root node of the decision tree. Take a threshold of 80K for 'Taxable Income' attribute and convert the continuous values into two categorical values. [8]

Tid	Refund	Marital Status	Taxable Income	Cheat
1	Yes	Single	125K	No
2	No	Married	100K	No
3	No	Single	70K	No
4	Yes	Married	120K	No
5	No	Divorced	95K	Yes
6	No	Married	60K	No
7	Yes	Divorced	220K	No
8	No	Single	85K	Yes
9	No	Married	75K	No
10	No	Single	90K	Yes

- b) Explain the different ways of handling continuous attributes in decision tree learning. [7]

(OR)



- 4 a) Why are shorter decision trees preferred over longer ones? [7]
 b) How noise in the data leads to an overfitting problem? Explain with the help of an example. [8]

UNIT III

- 5 a) Illustrate Vapnik-Chervonenkis dimension with the help of example. [7]
 b) Discuss FOIL rule-based learning algorithm with the help of an example. [8]
 (OR)
- 6 a) Discuss about First-Order rule learning in detail. [7]
 b) Explain the concepts of Probably Approximately Correct (PAC) learnability and PAC criterion. [8]

UNIT IV

- 7 a) Explain how SVM handles non-linearly separable data. [7]
 b) Explain back-propagation algorithm with the help of an example. Take error function of your choice. [8]
 (OR)
- 8 a) Explain the motivation behind using Neural Networks rather than the Logistic Regression model. [7]
 b) Discuss SVM optimization problem and the concept of duality. [8]

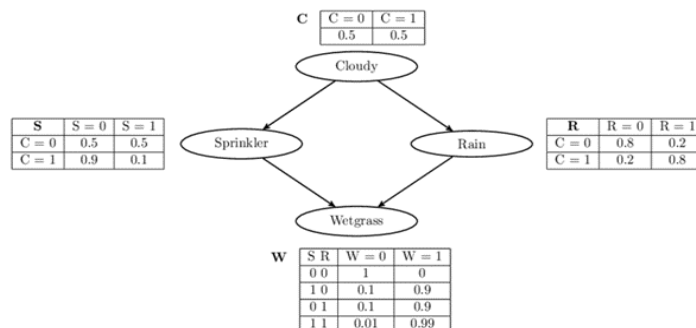
UNIT V

- 9 a) Given the following training data, classify a new instance $X_{new} = (age > 40, Income = high, Student = yes, Credit rating = fair)$ using the Naive-Bayes classifier.

Age	Income	Student	Credit rating	Buys computer ?
< 30	high	no	fair	no
< 30	high	no	excellent	no
30 . . . 40	high	no	fair	yes
> 40	medium	no	fair	yes
> 40	low	yes	fair	yes
> 40	low	yes	excellent	no
31 . . . 40	low	yes	excellent	yes
< 30	medium	no	fair	no
< 30	low	yes	fair	yes
> 40	medium	yes	fair	yes
< 30	medium	yes	excellent	yes
31 . . . 40	medium	no	excellent	yes
31 . . . 40	high	yes	fair	yes
> 40	medium	no	excellent	no

- b) Explain the gradient descent algorithm for the logistic regression model. [8]
 (OR)

- 10 a) Describe the Naive Bayesian method of classification and assumptions that the method makes. [7]
 b) Consider the following Bayesian network. Suppose you observe it is cloudy and raining. What is the probability that the grass is wet?



[8]

