## CS5691: Pattern recognition and machine learning Quiz - 4 Course Instructor : Prashanth L. A. Date : Apr-12, 2019 Duration : 40 minutes

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**INSTRUCTIONS**: For short answer questions, you do not have to justify the answer. For the rest, provide proper justification for the answers. Please use rough sheets for any calculations *if necessary*. Please **DO NOT** submit the rough sheets. DO NOT use pencil for writing the answers.

## I. Short answer questions

- 1. Consider the dataset  $\{(1, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), (4, 4)\}$ . Use the K-means clustering algorithm, initialized with the first two data points as the cluster centers, and with K = 2. Provide the mapping of the data points to the clusters, and the cluster centers. (1 mark) *Answer:*
- 2. Recall that, given a dataset  $\{(\mathbf{x}_i, y_i), i = 1, ..., n\}$ , the support vector regression method would solve the following optimization problem: Letting  $\boldsymbol{\xi} = (\xi_1, ..., \xi_n)$ , and  $\boldsymbol{\xi'} = (\xi'_1, ..., \xi'_n)$ ,

$$\min_{w,b,\boldsymbol{\xi},\boldsymbol{\xi}'} w^{\mathsf{T}} w + C \left( \sum_{i=1}^{n} \xi_i + \xi_i' \right)$$
(1)

subject to

$$y_i - w^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{x}_i - b \le \epsilon + \xi_i, i = 1, \dots, n$$
<sup>(2)</sup>

$$w^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{x}_i + b - y_i \le \epsilon + \xi'_i, i = 1, \dots, n \tag{3}$$

$$\xi_i \ge 0, \xi'_i \ge 0, i = 1, \dots, n.$$
 (4)

Let  $\alpha_i$  and  $\alpha'_i$  be the Lagrange multipliers associated with the constraints (2) and (3), respectively. From the solution to the dual optimization problem, for each of the following training examples, identify whether the Lagrange multipliers  $\alpha_i, \alpha'_i$  both vanish or if one of them vanishes or if none vanish: (1 mark for each table entry)

example	$lpha_i, lpha_i'$
$ y_i - w^{T} \mathbf{x}_i - b  \ge \epsilon$	
$ y_i - w^{T} \mathbf{x}_i - b  < \epsilon$	

3. Consider a specific three layer feedforward network with sigmoidal activation functions for all the hidden nodes. Can we construct another three layer feedforward network (with same architecture), where the hidden nodes use the hyperbolic tangent as the activation function such that the two networks compute the same function?  $(\frac{1}{2} \text{ mark})$ Answer:

- 4. Consider a feedforward neural network with a linear activation function. Can a polynomial of degree two be represented by such a network? (1 mark) *Answer:*
- 5. For the case of a mixture of Bernoulli distributions, suppose that EM algorithm is initialized such that the mean vector for each component distribution is the same. Does the EM algorithm converge? If yes, provide an estimate of the number of iterations it takes to converge. (1 mark)

Answer:

## II. A problem that requires a detailed solution

1. Consider a dataset  $\{\mathbf{x}_1, \ldots, \mathbf{x}_n\}$ , with  $\mathbf{x}_i = (x_{i,1}, \ldots, x_{i,d})^{\mathsf{T}}$  and  $x_{i,j} \in \{0, 1\}$ . Consider a mixture of two Bernoulli distributions:

$$f(\mathbf{x}_i) = \lambda_1 f_1(\mathbf{x}_i) + \lambda_2 f_2(\mathbf{x}_i),$$

where  $f_j$  is the mass function of a *d*-vector of Bernoulli r.v.s with parameter  $\theta_j$ , j = 1, 2. To elaborate, each  $\mathbf{x}_i$  is drawn, w.p.  $\lambda_j$ , from a vector of Bernoulli r.v.s with mean vector  $\theta_j = (\mu_{j,1}, \ldots, \mu_{j,d})^{\mathsf{T}}$ .

Answer the following:

- (a) Write down the expression for the log-likelihood log  $f(\mathcal{X} \mid \theta, \lambda)$  of the data, where  $\boldsymbol{\theta} = (\theta_1, \theta_2), \ \mathcal{X} = (\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n), \text{ and } \boldsymbol{\lambda} = (\lambda_1, \lambda_2).$  (1 mark)
- (b) Introduce the hidden variables  $z_{i,j}$  that indicate whether data point  $\mathbf{x}_i$  was drawn from component  $f_j$  or not, for i = 1, ..., n and j = 1, 2. Let  $\mathbf{z}_i = (z_{i,1}, z_{i,2})$ , i = 1, ..., n. Write the conditional distribution of  $\mathbf{z}_i$  given  $\boldsymbol{\lambda}$ , and the conditional distribution of  $\mathbf{x}_i$ , given  $\mathbf{z}_i, \boldsymbol{\lambda}, \boldsymbol{\theta}$ . Use these quantities to derive the expression for the likelihood of the data, and hidden variables, given  $\boldsymbol{\lambda}$  and  $\boldsymbol{\theta}$ . (1 mark)
- (c) Apply the EM algorithm to the mixture of Bernoulli distributions, specified above. In particular, show the E and M steps in detail. (2.5 marks)