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**Exam  
Artificial Intelligence 2**

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## Organizational Information

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1. Please place your student ID card and a photo ID on the table for checking.
2. You can reach 91 points if you fully solve all problems. You will only need 80 points for a perfect score, i.e. 11 points are bonus points.
3. No resources or tools are allowed except for a pen.
4. You have 90 min (sharp) for the exam.
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- If you continue an answer on another page, clearly give the problem number on the new page and a page reference on the old page.
- If you do not want something to be graded, clearly cross it out. Adding a wrong statement to a correct solution may lead to deductions.
- The instructions “Give X”, “List X” or similar mean that only X is needed. If you additionally justify your answer, we will try to give you partial credit for a wrong answer (but there is no guarantee that we will).
- The instruction “Assume X” means that X is information that you may use in your answer.
- The instruction “Model X as a Y” means that you have to describe X formally and exactly as an instance of Y using the definition of Y from the lecture.
- If you are uncertain how long or complex an answer should be, use the number of points as an indication: 1 point roughly corresponds to 1 minute.
- In all calculation questions, you have to simplify as much as reasonably possible without a calculator. For example,  $\log 2$  or  $3^7$  should not be calculated, but  $0.4 \cdot 0.3 \cdot 0.5 = 0.06$  should be.

# 1 Probabilities

## Problem 1.1 (Python)

1. Consider the Python program below.

4 pt

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def foo(J, x):  
    px = sum(J[x])  
    res = []  
    for y in range(len(J[x])):  
        res.append(J[x][y]/px)  
    return res
```

The input  $J$  represents the joint probability distribution of random variables  $X$  with domain  $\{0, \dots, m-1\}$  and  $Y$  with domain  $\{0, \dots, n-1\}$  in such a way that  $J[x][y] = P(X = x, Y = y)$ . The input  $x$  represents an element in the domain of  $X$ .

Which probability-related operation does the function `foo` compute?

2. Assume a random variable  $X$  with domain  $\{0, \dots, m-1\}$  and distribution  $D$ , i.e.,  $D[x] = P(X = x)$ . Assume that  $D[x]$  is non-zero for some even value of  $x$ . 4 pt

Complete the definition of  $p$  in the program below in such a way that  $p(D, x)$  returns the conditional probability  $P(X = x \mid X \text{ is even})$ , i.e., the probability of  $X = x$  under the condition that  $X$  takes an even value.

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def even(x):  
    return x % 2 == 0
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def p(D, x):
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**Problem 1.2 (Calculations)**

Assume random variables  $X, Y$  both with domain  $\{0, 1, 2\}$ . For some outcomes  $A$ , the probabilities are known as follows:

$A$	$P(A)$
$X = 0 \wedge Y = 0$	$a$
$X = 0 \wedge Y \neq 0$	$b$
$X \neq 0 \wedge Y = 0$	$c$
$X \neq 0 \wedge Y \neq 0$	$d$

1. Give all subsets of the probabilities  $\{a, b, c, d\}$  that must sum to 1. 2 pt
2. In terms of  $a, b, c, d$ , give  $P(X \neq 0)$  or argue why there is not enough information to compute the value. 2 pt
3. In terms of  $a, b, c, d$ , give  $P(X > Y)$  or argue why there is not enough information to compute the value. 2 pt
4. In terms of  $a, b, c, d$ , give  $P(X = 0 \mid Y = 0)$  or argue why there is not enough information to compute the value. 2 pt
5. Now assume we additionally know  $e = P(X = Y)$ . In terms of  $a, b, c, d, e$ , give  $P(X + Y = 3)$ . 2 pt

## 2 Bayesian Reasoning

### Problem 2.1 (Basic Rules)

Assume you are trying to relate economic development and your business results. You have collected the following data:

- The economy does well 40% of the time and badly otherwise.
- If your business does well, the economy does well 50% of the time.
- If the economy does well, your business does well 70% of the time.

You model the problem using two Boolean random variables  $E$  (economy does well) and  $B$  (business does well). You also abbreviate the events  $E = \text{true}$  and  $B = \text{true}$  as  $e$  and  $b$ .

1. By filling in the gaps below, state for each number in the text above, which probability it describes. 2 pt

1.  $P(\quad) = 0.4$

2.  $P(\quad) = 0.5$

3.  $P(\quad) = 0.7$

2. Calculate the probability that your business does well. 2 pt

3. If your business does well, you estimate your earnings to be \$100/month, otherwise \$60/month. Calculate your expected utility (in \$/month) if the economy does well. 2 pt

4. Calculate the probability that your business and the economy are doing badly at the same time. 3 pt

**Problem 2.2 (Bayesian Networks)**

Consider the following situation about a day out.

- If the sun shines, you are out long, and you did not use sunscreen, you may get sunburned.
- If the sun shines or you meet friends, you may stay out long.

You want to model this situation as a Bayesian network using Boolean random variables  $S$  (sunshine),  $O$  (staying out long),  $B$  (sunburn),  $U$  (sunscreen used), and  $F$  (meeting friends).

1. Using a good variable ordering, model this as a Bayesian network. 2 pt
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
2. Assume you meet your friends and use sunscreen, and you want to determine the probability of sunburn. What are the query/evidence/hidden variables? 2 pt

**For the remaining questions**, assume your network is  $F \leftarrow S \rightarrow O \leftarrow B \rightarrow U$  (which may or may not be a correct solution to the previous question).

3. Which probabilities are stored in the conditional probability table of the node  $O$ ? Which of those could be omitted and computed from the others? 3 pt
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
4. Give the probability distribution  $P(S \mid O = o, U = u)$  (for fixed  $o, u$ ) in terms of the entries of the probability tables of the network. 3 pt

### 3 Markovian Reasoning

#### Problem 3.1 (Hidden Markov Models)

Consider the following situation:

- Each year the groundwater level at your location is high or not.
- Each year your harvests are good or not.
- You want to study the groundwater level by observing the harvests.

You choose to model this situation as a stationary first-order hidden Markov model with a stationary sensor model with Markov property, using two families of year-indexed Boolean random variables.

1. Give the state and evidence variables and their domains. 2 pt

2. Which probabilities do you need for this model? 3 pt

3. What would change about the answer to the previous question if the HMM were not stationary? 2 pt

4. Assume a sequence  $e_1, e_2, \dots$  of Booleans such that  $e_a$  gives the quality of the harvest in year  $a = 1, 2, \dots$ . Then the filtering algorithm can be written in recursive matrix form as 3 pt

$$\mathbf{f}_{1:a} = \alpha(O_a T^t \mathbf{f}_{1:a-1})$$

(where  $T^t$  is the transposed transition matrix).

Which probability distributions are represented by the  $\mathbf{f}_{1:a}$ , and how do we obtain the values of the  $O_a$ ?

**Problem 3.2 (Decision Processes and Utility)**

Consider an agent moving along a rectangular grid of  $3 \times 3$  locations.

The agent can stand still, or move 1 location up, down, left, or right except when already at the edge.

A movement step succeeds with probability 90%. In the remaining cases, the agent does not move.

The agent is initially in the bottom-left corner location. Its goal is to move to the top-right location.

1. Model this situation as a Markov Decision Process  $\langle S, A, T, s_0, R \rangle$ . Use a reward function that uses a constant reward for non-goal states. 5 pt

2. Give an optimal policy  $\pi^*$ . 2 pt

3. Now assume the agent is unable to tell whether an action resulted in movement. Explain (in about 2 sentences) how we can still represent this situation as an MDP. 2 pt

## 4 Learning

### Problem 4.1 (Decision Trees and Lists)

Consider an unknown natural number  $N \in \{1, \dots, 10\}$ . You are allowed to ask the following attributes/questions about  $N$ :

- A Is  $N$  prime? (possibly answers: yes, no)
- B What is  $N$  modulo 3? (possible answers: 0, 1, 2)
- C Is  $N > 5$ ? (possibly answers: yes, no)
- D Is  $N$  a root of  $X^2 + X - 7$ ? (possibly answers: yes, no)
- E What is the result of  $\sin((N + 0.5)\pi)$ ? (possibly answers:  $-1, 1$ )
- F What is  $N$  modulo 4? (possible answers: 0, 1, 2, 3)

1. Give the shortest (in terms of tree depth) decision tree for identifying  $N$  that uses at most the above questions. 3 pt

2. We can see each question as a random variable. Give the entropies  $I(A)$ ,  $I(C)$ , and  $I(D)$ , i.e., the number of bits obtained by asking the question. (Simplify as much as possible without introducing approximate values.) 3 pt

3. Now assume our goal is to learn the function that computes whether any natural number is a square number, given the answers to the questions A-F, using  $N = 1$  and  $N = 2$  for training data. Formally state this situation as an inductive learning problem  $\langle \mathcal{H}, T \rangle$ . 3 pt

**Problem 4.2 (Classifiers)**

Consider a set  $E$  of examples of the form  $(x, y)$  where  $x \in \mathbb{R}^2$  and  $y \in \{0, 1\}$ .

We want to learn a linear classifier  $h_w$  with a hard threshold. For the hard threshold, we use  $\mathcal{T}(u)$  that returns 1 if  $u > 0$  and 0 otherwise.

1. Give the general form of such a classifier. 2 pt

2. Give a neural network that can be used to represent such a classifier. 3 pt

3. Give the formula for the squared error loss of such a classifier. 2 pt

4. Why is gradient descent not applicable to minimize the loss in this case? 1 pt



**Problem 4.3 (Inductive Learning)**

Consider the family tree given by the following relations:

couple	children
A, B	E, F
C, D	G
F, G	H, I

Assume we already know the predicate  $\text{par}(x, y)$  for  $x$  being a parent of  $y$ . Our goal is to learn the predicate  $\text{gp}(x, y)$  for  $x$  being a grandparent of  $y$ , i.e., to find a formula  $D$  such that  $\forall x, y. \text{gp}(x, y) \Leftrightarrow D(x, y)$ .

We do not know  $D$ , but we have the following (counter-)examples for  $\text{gp}$ :

person-pair	grandparent
A, H	yes
B, I	yes
A, E	no
A, F	no
A, B	no
A, C	no

1. Give the intended formula  $D_1$ , i.e., the correct definition of grandparent. 2 pt
2. Give a formula  $D_2$  that is true exactly for the positive examples. 2 pt
3. Explain (in about 3 sentences) the commonalities and pros and cons of learning the formula  $D$  as  $D_1$  vs.  $D_2$ . 3 pt



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