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**Exam**  
**Artificial Intelligence 2**

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## Organizational Information

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2. You can reach 90 points if you fully solve all problems. You will only need 80 points for a perfect score, i.e. 10 points are bonus points.
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Please consider the following guidelines to avoid losing points:

- 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.
- You can always ask for the translation or explanation of a non-technical word.
- 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 may or may not give you partial credit for a wrong answer.
- 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)

Below, 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  $J[x][y] = P(X = x, Y = y)$ . All probabilities are represented as floating point numbers.

1. Complete the function below so that it returns the probability distribution of  $Y$ .

4 Points

```
def probY(J):
```

2. Consider the Python program below.

3 Points

```
def foo(J):
    numXs = len(J)
    numYs = len(J[0])
    for x in range(numXs):
        for y in range(numYs):
            px = sum([J[x][v] for v in range(numYs)])
            py = sum([J[v][y] for v in range(numXs)])
            if J[x][y] != px*py:
                return False
    return True
```

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

3. When using the function `foo` above, which effect may cause it to return an incorrect result?

1 Points

**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:

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

1. It is guaranteed that  $a, b, c, d \in [0; 1]$ . What other properties about the numbers  $a, b, c, d$  are guaranteed to hold? 2 Points  
For example, properties might be of the form  $a + b = 1$  or  $a < b$ .
2. 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 Points
3. In terms of  $a, b, c, d$ , give  $P(Y \neq 0)$  or argue why there is not enough information to compute the value. 2 Points
4. In terms of  $a, b, c, d$ , give  $P(X + Y = 0 \mid X \cdot Y = 0)$  or argue why there is not enough information to compute the value. 2 Points
5. Now assume that  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent. Show that  $c$  can be computed from  $a$  and  $b$ . 2 Points

## 2 Bayesian Reasoning

### Problem 2.1 (Bayesian Calculations)

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.
- Your business does well 30% of the time and badly otherwise.
- When your business does well, the economy does well 80% 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 Points
  1.  $P(\quad) = 0.4$
  2.  $P(\quad) = 0.3$
  3.  $P(\quad) = 0.8$
2. Calculate the probability that your business does well when the economy does badly. 2 Points
3. How can you store the joint distribution of  $E$  and  $B$  in a minimally big table? 3 Points

**Problem 2.2 (Bayesian Networks)**

Consider the following situation about an alarm clock:

- It fails to ring if its batteries are empty.
- It fails to ring if it the volume is muted.
- You might oversleep if your alarm clock fails.
- You might oversleep if you stay up late.

You want to model this situation as a Bayesian network using Boolean random variables.

1. Give an appropriate set of random variables and their meaning and draw the Bayesian network (using an appropriate variable order). 3 Points
2. Give the probability of the clock failing in terms of the entries of the conditional probability tables of your network. 2 Points

Now you decide to model the failing of the clock as a deterministic node.

3. Explain (in about 3 sentences) whether that decision is justified by the description, and how it changes the conditional probability tables of your model. 3 Points
4. State the probability of the clock failing in terms of the entries of the conditional probability tables of your network (with the deterministic node for the failing clock). 2 Points

### 3 Markovian Reasoning

#### Problem 3.1 (Hidden Markov Models)

Consider the following situation:

- You make daily observations about your business  $B$ . Each day business is either good ( $b_1$ ) or bad ( $b_2$ ).
- You know this is caused by the general economic situation  $G$ , which you cannot easily observe, and which can be getting worse ( $g_1$ ), be stable ( $g_2$ ), or getting better ( $g_3$ ).
- You have previously obtained the following information:
  - when the economy gets worse, your business is good 36% of the time,
  - when the economy is stable, your business is good 84% of the time,
  - when the economy gets better, your business is good 90% of the time,
  - half the time, the economy is the same as on the previous day,
  - when the economy changes from one day to the next, each change is equally likely.

You want to model this situation as a hidden Markov model with two families of random variables indexed by day number  $d$ .

1. Give the state and evidence variables and their domains. 2 Points
2. How can you tell that the sensor model is stationary here? 1 Points
3. What order does the model have? 1 Points
4. Complete the following sentence: The transition model  $T$  is given by the matrix 2 Points

$$T = \left( \begin{array}{ccc} & & \end{array} \right) \quad \text{where} \quad T_{ij} = P(G_{d+1} = g_j \mid G_d = g_i).$$



5. Complete the following sentence: The sensor model  $S$  is given by the matrix 2 Points

$$S = \left( \begin{array}{ccc} & & \end{array} \right) \quad \text{where} \quad S_{ij} = P(B_d = b_j \mid G_d = g_i).$$

6. Let  $T$  be as above and let  $\mathbf{v}$  be a 3-dimensional vector whose coefficients sum to 1. What is the intuitive meaning of the property  $T \cdot \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v}$ ? 2 Points
7. Assume you want to apply filtering after observing good business at  $t = 1$ . Give the diagonal sensor matrix  $O_1$  to use in this case. 1 Points

### Problem 3.2 (Decision Processes and Utility)

Consider a robot arranging 9 identical objects into a frame with 9 identical slots. Initially, all objects are stacked next to the frame.

Each object can be placed into every one of the 9 slots in two ways: correctly aligned or mis-aligned. The robot's task is to place one correctly aligned object into each slot.

In each move, the agent can do one of the following:

- Put the next unplaced object into a free slot. There is a 10% chance the placement is mis-aligned.
- Remove a mis-aligned object from the frame and add it back to the stack.
- Do nothing.

1. Model this situation as a Markov Decision Process  $\langle S, A, T, s_0, R \rangle$ . Use a reward function that uses  $-0.1$  for non-goal states. 5 Points
2. Give an optimal policy  $\pi^*$ . 2 Points
3. State the Bellman equation for  $\gamma = 0.5$ . Then using initial utilities  $U(s) = 0$  for all states, compute the utility value of the initial state after two value iteration steps. 3 Points
4. Following up on the previous question: What is the smallest number of iterations, after which the utility of the initial state can be positive? 1 Points

## 4 Learning

### Problem 4.1 (Decision Trees)

Consider an unknown natural number  $N \in \{0, \dots, 3\}$  that we want to determine from certain Boolean attributes. For example, knowing that  $N$  is positive and even determines that  $N = 2$ .

1. Give the entropies  $I(\text{positive})$  and  $I(\text{even})$ . Which of the two has higher information gain? 3 Points
2. Define 3 Boolean-valued attributes of  $N$  such that the following hold: 3 Points
  - The smallest decision tree for  $N$  using these attributes has depth 2.
  - There is no decision tree for  $N$  that uses only 2 of the 3 attributes.
3. Now assume our goal is to learn the function that computes whether  $N$  is a square of a natural number, using the attributes *positive* and *even*. We use  $N = 0$  and  $N = 1$  as examples. 2 Points  
Formally state this situation as an inductive learning problem  $\langle \mathcal{H}, T \rangle$ .

**Problem 4.2 (Statistical Learning)**

You observe the values below for 50 games of a tennis player. You want to predict the result based on time of day and opponent.

Time	Opponent	Number of	
		wins	losses
Morning	Weaker	5	1
Afternoon	Weaker	6	2
Evening	Weaker	3	0
Morning	Similar	3	3
Afternoon	Similar	2	3
Evening	Similar	4	5
Morning	Stronger	2	2
Afternoon	Stronger	1	3
Evening	Stronger	1	4

1. What is the hypothesis space for this classification task, seen as a decision tree learning problem? 2 Points
2. Explain (in about 2 sentences) the key characteristic of this data that makes it difficult to use decision tree-based classification methods from the lecture and why. 2 Points
3. Now instead, consider this as a statistical learning problem. As hypotheses, we use the probability distributions  $P(\text{Result} \mid \text{Time}, \text{Opponent})$ .  
Relative to the observed data, give the likelihood of the following hypothesis: The player's probability to win is 80% if the game is against a weaker player, and it is 10% otherwise. 2 Points
4. To learn a hypothesis via Bayesian learning, we model this situation as a Bayesian network  $\text{Time} \rightarrow \text{Result} \leftarrow \text{Opponent}$ . Give the resulting entries of the conditional probability table for 2 Points

1.  $P(\text{Opponent} = \text{Weaker}) =$

2.  $P(\text{Result} = \text{win} \mid \text{Time} = \text{Afternoon}, \text{Opponent} = \text{Weaker}) =$

**Problem 4.3 (Inductive Learning)**

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 first-order 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  $\text{gp}$ :

$x$	$y$	$\text{gp}(x, y)$
A	H	yes
B	I	yes
A	E	no
A	F	no
A	B	no
A	C	no

1. Give the first-order formula  $D$  that represents  $\text{gp}(x, y)$ . 2 Points
2. Explain (in about 2 sentences) the key advantages of using inductive learning to learn a formula for  $\text{gp}$  as opposed to using the formula that can be derived from a decision tree for the example set. 2 Points
3. Assume that a first-order inductive learning algorithm has partially learned the predicate as the clause 2 Points

$$\text{gp}(x, y) \Leftarrow \text{par}(x, u) \wedge \dots$$

Give two options of non-recursive literals that the algorithm might reasonably try next to complete the clause.

## 5 Natural Language Processing

### Problem 5.1 (Language Models)

1. How many different trigrams does a language with  $n$  words have? 1 Points
2. What is a statistical language model? 2 Points
3. Name two applications of statistical language models. 2 Points
4. Why is it work-intensive in practice to build a good statistical language model for a natural language? 2 Points

### Problem 5.2 (Seq2Seq Translation)

1. Explain (in about 2 sentences) the key idea of seq2seq models for machine translation. 2 Points
2. Explain (in about 2 sentences) the role of beam search in the decoder. 2 Points