

**PSG COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCE
(AUTONOMOUS)**

**MSc(SS) DEGREE EXAMINATION MAY 2025
(Sixth Semester)**

Branch – SOFTWARE SYSTEMS (Five Year Integrated)

MACHINE LEARNING

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 50 Marks

SECTION-A (5 Marks)

Answer ALL questions

ALL questions carry EQUAL marks

(5 x 1 = 5)

- 1 What is the Gaussian distribution also known as?
(i) Uniform distribution (ii) Poisson distribution
(iii) Normal distribution (iv) Exponential distribution
- 2 Which of the following is an example of unsupervised learning?
(i) Image classification (ii) Customer segmentation
(iii) Spam email detection (iv) Sentiment analysis
- 3 Which algorithm is commonly used for regression problems?
(i) Decision Trees (ii) K-Means
(iii) Apriori Algorithm (iv) Linear Regression
- 4 Which of the following algorithms is NOT used for classification?
(i) Naïve Bayes (ii) K-Nearest Neighbors
(iii) Support Vector Machine (iv) K-Means Clustering
- 5 What is the basic building block of a neural network?
(i) Neuron (ii) Pixel
(iii) Cluster (iv) Node

SECTION - B (15 Marks)

Answer ALL Questions

ALL Questions Carry EQUAL Marks

(5 x 3 = 15)

- 6 a Describe the importance of data preprocessing in Machine Learning.
OR
b Compare the difference between classification and regression problems in Machine Learning.
- 7 a Explain Logistic Regression. Discuss its significance in classification tasks.
OR
b State the linear regression in classification.
- 8 a Outline the k-Nearest Neighbors (k-NN) algorithm and how it can be used for classification.
OR
b Explain the concept of neural networks.

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- 9 a. Explain how bootstrapping is performed with an example.
OR
b. Discuss how you can interpret the performance of a model based on its AUC score.
- 10 a. What are clustering and dimensionality reduction in the context of unsupervised learning?
OR
b. Compare the performance of ICA with PCA for image processing tasks.

SECTION -C (30 Marks)

Answer ALL questions

ALL questions carry EQUAL Marks

(5 x 6 = 30)

- 11 a. Define Machine Learning and explain its types.
OR
b. What is the difference between supervised and unsupervised learning?
- 12 a. Describe the components of the confusion matrix and their relevance in evaluating classification models.
OR
b. Justify Logistic Regression. Discuss its significance in classification tasks.
- 13 a. Discuss the role of Bayesian classifier.
OR
b. Examine the significance of the decision theory.
- 14 a. Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of Decision Trees.
OR
b. Identify the difference between a classification tree and a regression tree.
- 15 a. Describe the steps involved in performing ICA.
OR
b. State the key assumptions of the Mixture of Gaussians model.

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