
Computer Science 477

Final Examination

and Final Paper

Particulars

- Thursday, June 8
- 1:00 - 3:00 PM
- Haggard Hall 345
- One page of notes, double sided
 - Handwritten or typeset
- Do bring a calculator

Topics

- Be able to define (articulately):
 - Classification
 - Clustering
 - Association Rule Analysis
 - Be able to calculate
 - Entropy
 - Information Gain
 - And understand their uses
 - Be able to calculate support, confidence and lift of association rules
 - And understand what they mean
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Topic

- Be able to generate frequent itemsets of cardinality k from itemset of cardinality $k - 1$
- Be able to calculate from a given database of transactions how many association rules are possible
- Understand the concept of overfitting and be able to tell how you would know that a classification system overfit

Topics

- Understand the adequacy condition and know how it affects various classification algorithms
- Be able to devise a rational, justifiable method of discretizing a numerical attribute.

Evaluation of Final Paper

- Data Mining – techniques for extracting useful information from datasets otherwise beyond human comprehension
 - *Not* Statistics (though we use statistics)
 - Final paper evaluation - *not* on the basis of the actual useful information extracted
 - Relevant to evaluation:
 - Application of data mining techniques
 - Quality of writing (organization, professional tone, consistent level of usage, *et cetera*)
 - Ingenuity and completeness of the effort
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Some Deadlines

- Final paper due no later than Friday, June 9
- Confirm that equations and diagrams are correctly displayed
- Word or PDF

- I wish you the best in the next stage