

Assignments for Course T-61.6020, part II

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In each assignment you should implement the algorithm according to the instruction. For each algorithm there will be a stub either in Matlab or Python, although you don't have to use it. The stubs and the datasets can be obtained from the homepage of the course. The missing pieces of code in the stubs are marked with XXX.

In your report you should explain the algorithm (in roughly 1 page), report the results you achieve. Attach the source code and the commands you used for getting the answers.

The deadline for these homeworks is **21.5**.

1 APriori

Implement **apriori.py** and try it on **apriori.dat**:

```
python apriori.py apriori.dat <support>
```

Try different values for support.

2 Pagerank / HITS

Implement **pagerank.m** using eigenvalue decomposition, implement **pagerank2.m** using power iteration¹. Test the algorithms with **coauthor.mat**.

Implement **hits.m** using SVD decomposition, implement **hits2.m** using iteration given in [Kle98]. Test the algorithms with **newsgroups.mat**. What are the most significant words?

3 K-means / spectral

Implement **kmeans.m** and apply it to **three_gaussians.mat** with the cluster number $K = 3$. Test the algorithm on **two_circles.mat** with $K = 2$. K-means should fail miserably, why?

Implement **spectral.m** and test it on **two_circles.mat**. Try the algorithm for different s parameters.

¹http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Power_iteration

4 FPTree

Implement `fptree.py` and try it on `fptree.dat`:

```
python fptree.py fptree.dat <support>
```

Try different values for `support`. You should get the essentially same itemsets as with APriori.

5 SVM

Implement `svm.m` (ignore the soft margin) and try it on `two_gaussian.mat`. Plot $xw + b$. Implement `svm_fast.m` (note that the soft margin is included). Use the dual formulation (Op 3.) and Algorithm 1 in [Joa06]. Plot $xw + b$ again.

References

- [Joa06] Thorsten Joachims. Training linear svms in linear time. In *KDD '06: Proceedings of the 12th ACM SIGKDD international conference on Knowledge discovery and data mining*, pages 217–226, New York, NY, USA, 2006. ACM.
- [Kle98] J. M. Kleinberg. Authoritative sources in a hyperlinked environment. In *Proceedings of the Ninth Annual ACM-SIAM Symposium on Discrete Algorithms*, pages 668–677, 1998.