

Comments COMP61011 exam performance was extremely good - average mark on the MCQ and short answer section was 72%. In Q1 almost everybody could name/characterise SVM kernels. In Q2, a common mistake was to assume a decision tree was computationally intensive, or to state that a disadvantage of the KNN was the need to choose the value of K - this is false. Very few people could clearly name an embedded feature selection method, and similarly the search strategy question was poorly answered. Almost everyone could calculate the Bayes theorem question correctly, but only about half the class could correctly draw the Bayesian network or phrase the class conditional independence assumption correctly.

Overall it seems areas of strength were Bayes theorem and SVMs, while areas of weakness were feature selection. This not surprising given that the latter was a topic covered in the final lecture, and whilst everyone was working on their projects.
