Stochastic Systems Course Code: EE-891

Course Description

This course starts by introducing the Statistical concepts from the very basics and concludes by explaining an important stochastic model, i.e., Variational Auto-encoder, which is one of the most influential probabilistic model. The course includes the Probabilistic Graphical Models (PGM) which are the fundamental tool in addressing many state-of-the-art problems with a wide applications in the field of medical diagnosis, scene understanding, speech recognition and many more.

Text Book:

- 1. Probability and Random Processes for Electrical Engineering, by Alberto Leon-Garcia [1994].
- 2. Probabilistic Graphical Models: Principle and Techniques by Daphne Koller and Nir Friedman [2009].

Reference Book:

1. Probability and Stochastic Processes – A Friendly Introduction for Electrical and Computer Engineers, by Roy D. Yates and David J. Goodman [2014].

Prerequisites

None

ASSESSMENT SYSTEM

| Quizzes | 5-10% |
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| Assignments | 5-10% |
| Mid Terms | 25-30% |
| ESE | 40-50% |

Teaching Plan

| Week No | Topics | Learning Outcomes |
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| 1-2 | Introduction | Probability Theory, Mutual Exclusivity, Axioms of Probability, Conditional Probability, Bayes' Rule, Chain Rule |
| 3-5 | Random Variables | PDF, CDF, PMF, Conditional PDF and Conditional CDF, Expected Value, Variance, Functions of RVs |
| 6-8 | Multiple Random Variables | Independence, Functions of Multiple RVs, Joint Probabilities, Joint and Marginal Distributions, PDF and PMF, Correlation and Covariance, Auto Correlation and Auto Covariance, Sum of RVs |
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| 9 | MID TERM EXAM | |
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| 10-12 | Representation: Probabilistic graphical models | Bayesian Networks (Directed Models), Template Models for Bayesian Networks, Structures CPDs for Bayesian Networks, Markov Networks (Undirected Models), Decision Making |
| 13-15 | Inference: Probabilistic graphical models | Variable Elimination, MAP algorithms, Sampling methods, Inference in Temporal Models |
| 16 | Learning: Probabilistic graphical models | Probabilistic Learning Models, Practical Applications and challenges |
| 17 | Probabilistic graphical models | Semester Project Presentation & Discussion |
| 18 | End Semester Exams | |