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| Institute: | Institute of Technology, School of Technology |
| Name of Programme: | B.Tech. in Electronics & Communication Engineering |
| Course Code: | 4EC501ME25 |
| Course Title: | Machine Learning |
| Course Type: | Department Elective |
| Year of Introduction: | 2025-26 |

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Course Learning Outcomes (CLOs):

At the end of the course, the students will be able to

- 1 apply supervised techniques for classification and regression examples (BL3)
- 2 employ unsupervised machine learning techniques for clustering (BL3)
- 3 demonstrate the neural network for the given application (BL4)
- 4 implement machine learning algorithms to solve real-world application problems. (BL6)

| Unit | Contents | Teaching hours (Total 45) |
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| Unit I | Introduction: Motivation and applications, types of machine learning techniques, basics of supervised, unsupervised, semi-supervised and reinforcement learning, approaches of machine learning - classification, regression and clustering | 04 |
| Unit II | Supervised Learning - Regression Techniques: Basic concepts and applications of regression, simple linear & multiple regression, gradient descent, hyper-parameters tuning, evaluation measures for regression techniques | 09 |
| Unit III | Supervised Learning - Classification Techniques: Naïve bayes classification, Gaussian Naïve Bayes model, K-Nearest Neighbors (knn) algorithm, knn for classification and regression, different distance measures, decision trees, splitting criteria for decision trees, random forest classifier, bagging and boosting, support vector machines, kernels for SVM, evaluation measures for classification techniques | 12 |
| Unit IV | Unsupervised Learning - Clustering techniques: k-means clustering, evaluation metrics for clustering | 05 |
| Unit V | Neural Networks: Basics of neural networks, biological neurons and biological neural networks, perceptron learning, activation functions, multilayer perceptron, back-propagation neural networks, introduction to convolution neural network | 09 |

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| Unit VI | Applications and Case Studies: Case studies on machine learning based on classification, regression and clustering, based on various domains and areas including signal processing, VLSI, IoT, defense, robotics, medical, healthcare, agriculture, vision-based applications, real-time processing, NLP, remote sensing, WSN | 06 |
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Self Study:

The self-study contents will be declared at the commencement of the semester. Around 10% of the question will be asked from self-study contents.

Tutorial Work: This shall consist of at least 10 tutorials based on the above syllabus.

Suggested Readings/ Reference:

1. Tom Mitchell, *Machine Learning*, Tata McGraw-Hill
2. C. Bishop, *Pattern Recognition and Machine Learning*, Springer
3. R. O. Duda, P. E. Hart and D. G. Stork, *Pattern Classification and Scene Analysis*, Wiley
4. Simon Rogers, Mark Girolami, *First Course in Machine Learning*, CRC Press
5. Athem Ealpaydin, *Introduction to Machine Learning*, Prentice Hall

Suggested List of Tutorials

| Sr. No. | Name of Experiments/Exercises | Hours |
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| 1. | Getting started with Python | 01 |
| 2. | To perform exploratory data analysis, including data visualisation, Summary statistics and identifying patterns | 01 |
| 3. | To explore data preprocessing techniques such as handling missing values, encoding categorical variables and scaling features | 01 |
| 4. | To implement Linear Regression and Multiple Linear Regression | 01 |
| 5. | To perform classification using Naïve Bayes Classifier | 01 |
| 6. | To implement k-means Clustering to group similar datapoints | 01 |
| 7. | To implement k-nearest neighbor for classification, emphasising the impact of choosing an appropriate value for k | 01 |
| 8. | To Implement Support Vector Machine (SVMs) | 01 |
| 9. | To Implement Decision Trees and Random Forest Classifier | 01 |
| 10. | Machine Learning Implementation using Virtual lab | 01 |
| 11. | To Implement Neural Networks | 01 |
| 12. | To Implement Convolutional Neural Networks using MATLAB and Python | 01 |
| 13. | To perform image classification using CNN | 01 |
| 14. | To explore transfer learning by fine-tuning a pre-trained neural network on a new dataset | 01 |
| 15. | Apply machine learning concepts for implementation of solution to a real-life issue or problem | 01 |