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Exam Seat No.:	
Academic Year:2025-2026	Semester:V
Class:TY	Program:B.Tech
Branch Code:CSD	Pattern:2023
Name of Course:Data Science and Big Data	Course Code:2313306B
Max. Marks:60	Duration:2.30 Hrs.

Instructions: Candidates should read carefully the instructions printed on the Question Paper and on the cover page of the Answer Book, which is provided for their use.

1. This question paper contains 02 page(s).
2. Answer to each new question is to be started on a new page.
3. Assume suitable data wherever required, but justify it.
4. Draw the neat labelled diagrams, wherever necessary.
5. The last columns indicates the Course Outcome and level of Blooms Taxonomy of the Question/sub-question.

Marks CO

Question No. 1

- 1a) Explain how Principal Component Analysis (PCA) helps in reducing the number of features in a dataset. (6) CO1

Question No. 2

- 2a) Write a short note on Ridge regression. (6) CO2

Question No. 3

- 3a) Describe the main idea behind the Support Vector Machine (SVM) algorithm. How does it find the best decision boundary? (8) CO3

OR

- 3b) Explain the following evaluation metrics used in classification problems and discuss when each is most appropriate to use: (8) CO3

- 1.Accuracy
2. Precision
- 3.Recall
- 4.F1-Score

- 3c) Differentiate between binary and multiclass classification problems. Provide examples from real-world applications and discuss how model design varies. (8) CO3

OR

- 3d) Explain the concept of balanced and imbalanced multiclass classification. Discuss the impact of class imbalance on model performance with suitable examples. (8) CO3

Question No. 4

- 4a) Discuss how the choice of 'K' affects the performance of K-Means clustering. What methods help determine the optimal K? (8) CO4

OR

- 4b) Compare agglomerative and divisive hierarchical clustering in terms of process and computational efficiency. (8) CO4
- 4c) Explain the importance of evaluating clustering quality. What metrics are commonly used? (8) CO4

OR

- 4d) Explain the concept of cluster analysis and its role in unsupervised learning. Use examples to illustrate its applications. (8) CO4

Question No. 5

- 5a) Discuss the factors contributing to the exponential growth of data in recent years. (8) CO5

OR

- 5b) Explain the five key characteristics of Big Data (The 5 V's) (8) CO5
- 5c) Describe the key stages of the Data Analytics Lifecycle and their interdependencies. (8) CO5

OR

- 5d) Identify and explain major sources of Big Data in today's digital ecosystem. (8) CO5

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