INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY MADRAS

TCF Evaluation:JUL-NOV 2021

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Course No :CS6700

Course Name : Reinforcement Learning

Responses / Regn :44/61

Department : Computer Science and Engineering

Summary

Evaluation	Mean	Median	Std Dev	MAD	Dept Mean	Institute Mean
Course	0.81	0.80	0.23	0.10	0.83	0.80
Instructor	0.81	0.80	0.22	0.13	0.85	0.83

Question-Wise Response

Question No	SA	A	N	DA	SDA	NA	Mean	Institute Mean
1	18	17	5	1	2	0	0.82	0.82
2	16	17	7	1	2	0	0.80	0.80
3	15	18	5	2	3	0	0.79	0.84
4	14	18	7	1	3	0	0.78	0.81
5	14	18	9	1	1	0	0.80	0.81
6	19	19	3	1	1	0	0.85	0.83
7	17	15	8	1	2	0	0.80	0.80
8	20	14	5	1	3	0	0.82	0.78
9	16	15	7	1	4	0	0.78	0.74
10	15	19	5	0	3	1	0.80	0.78
11	20	16	5	0	2	0	0.84	0.81

NOTE:SA(STRONGLY AGREE)=10 A(AGREE)=8 N(NEUTRAL)=6 DA(DISAGREE)=4 SDA(STRONGLY DISAGREE)=2 NA(Not Applicable/Do not wish to answer)=0

Question list

1.The course objectives were stated clearly and met largely

2.The concepts of the course were communicated well

3.The instructor was enthusiastic about the topics presented

4.The examples/case-studies/illustrations used in the class improved the learning experience

5.The quizzes and exams were graded in an impartial and timely manner

6.The instructor was punctual and followed the class schedule closely

7.The course was planned and structured well

8.The course motivated me to explore the subject area with interest

9.The involvement of TAs helped effectively in improving the learning experience

10.Tutorials and assignments were conducted effectively

11.Overall, the course provided a good value-addition to my knowledge/skill-set

NOTE:Qn 1 to 6 - Instructor evaluation : Qn 7 to 11 - Course evaluation

Student Remarks
Good subject to gain knowledge on the field of control system.
Very good course! The teacher was enthusiastic and the theoretical part of the course was amazing.
The course is more like a torture where instead of trying to motivate a student about the field, it was instead dumping of lectures as per instructors advantage. The course didnt allow any new knowledge but was more of less waste of time.
great professor just a little overkill on the jokes but was nice.
10/10 for giving extra time before exams to clear the doubts of the students. That won my heart.10/10 for jokes9/10 for teaching
There might have been something similar to practice problem sessions that might have improved the performance in exams and assignments since it is a really advanced course
Please start the cool stuff in RL earlier, we spent so much time proving the theorems for pre-midsem portions. Maybe keeping proofs for reading beyond class hours would be better, so that we can focus on more on current RL developments by the end of the course The TCF jokes are corny, but so am I, no complaints
The course should be renamed to Introduction to RL, was expecting more advance algorithms
teaching would have been more effective if the professor wrote things down live in class than read out from slides
Structure of the course needs to be such that load gets distributed roughly uniformly throughout, and not only towards the end.Mathematics needs to be fleshed out. Insights not developed in my personal opinion since the focus seemed too proof oriented.
A really nice course, approachable professor as well
I dont understand why you got bad TCF last semester. In my opinion, you are one of the best lecturers in insti!
Planning and structuring was done very well. I enjoyed the classes and sequence of topics. One small request is to have a longer project maybe like reproducing a paper but i understand for a beginner course we might not have sufficient knowledge to go to that depth. Also if youre reading this sir, I would like to let you know I enjoyed your jokes lol so please continue doing them. too bad you cant see our smiling faces in online mode
Best professor until now Amazingly structured course Incredible learning curve
prolly a short review of math concepts can be kept first as the math involved becomes too hard
The course was an excellent value addition to my knowledge. I felt that the second coding assignment came to late, as we were coding up MDPs when we were learning about RL algorithms. It would have been better to keep the code part while teaching MDP theory itself.

Number of students who were not willing to participate in the evaluation for this course:1

Comments by students who didn't fill the TCF for this Course
Ive dropped this course