# Unsupervised Learning: K-Means Algorithm

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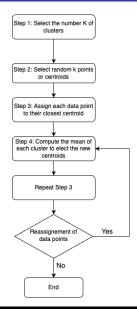
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#### Introduction

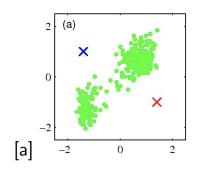
Clustering is a technique that group simular objects such that the objects in the same group are more similar to each other.

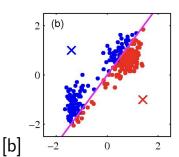
- Direct partitioning: we seek to partition the observations into a prespecified K number of clusters.
- Hierarchical clustering: we do not know in advance how many clusters we want.

### How does K-Means works?

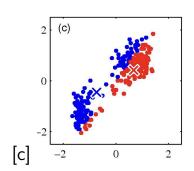


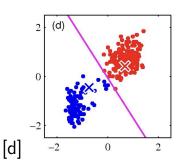
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# Methods to choose the optimal number of clusters

- Elbow Method
- Silhouette analysis

#### The Elbow Method: Minimization of WCSS

The objective function is given by:

$$\operatorname{argmin}_{S} \sum_{i=1}^{k} \sum_{x \in S_{i}} ||x - \mu_{i}||^{2} \tag{1}$$

where  $S = \{S_1, S_2, ..., S_k\}$ ,  $\mu_i$  is the centroid in the cluster i

#### Choose the number of clusters

### The Silhouette Analysis

 We compute the silhouette coefficient for each data point.

$$S(i) = \frac{b(i) - a(i)}{\max\{b(i), a(i)\}}$$
 (2)

where a(i) is the average distance between i and all other points in the same cluster as i.

- b(i) is the average distance from i to all clusters to which i does not belong
- For each value of k, we compute:

$$Average(silhouette)_k = mean \{S(i)\}$$
 (3)

## Pros and cons of K-Means Algorithm

#### Pros

- Linear time complexity and can be used with large datasets conveniently.
- Easy to implement
- Easy to interpret the clustering results

#### Cons

- Results will differ based on random centroid initialization.
- Sensitive to outliers
- Assume each cluster has roughly equal number of observations

## **Implementation**

**IMPLEMENTATION** 

### Conclusion

- Powerful and widely-used clustering algorithm that can be used to group data into similar clusters.
- It works by iteratively optimizing the placement of k centroids that represent the center of each cluster.
- Sensitivity to initial cluster centroids and its assumption that clusters have a spherical shape.
- Customer segmentation
- Understand what the visitors of a website are trying to accomplish
- Pattern recognition
- Data compression

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