Report: Credit Card User Segmentation via K-Means + PCA

1. Introduction

Objective:

To segment credit card customers using clustering techniques, in order to identify distinct user behaviors and tailor banking strategies accordingly.

Dataset:

- Source: Kaggle "Credit Card Customer Dataset"
- Features: ~24 numerical attributes (e.g., BALANCE, PURCHASES, TENURE)
- Size: ≈ 15,000 customer records

2. Methodology

2.1 Data Preprocessing

- Missing Values: Dropped rows with any NaN.
- **Normalization:** Scaled all numerical features with StandardScaler to zero mean and unit variance for equal weighting.

2.2 Dimensionality Reduction (PCA)

 Applied Principal Component Analysis to reduce dimensions to two principal components (PCA 1, PCA 2), retaining maximum variance for visualization.

2.3 Clustering (K-Means)

- Algorithm: KMeans(n_clusters=4, random_state=42)
- Chosen because of clear, non-overlapping cluster separation from PCA scatter plot.
- Evaluated with **Silhouette Score** to assess cluster quality.

3. Results

3.1 Cluster Visualization

Insert your scatter plot here

This plot shows four distinct customer groups in PCA-reduced space.

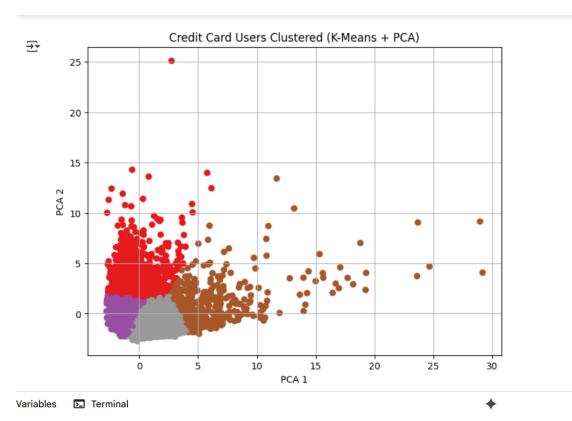
3.2 Cluster Summary

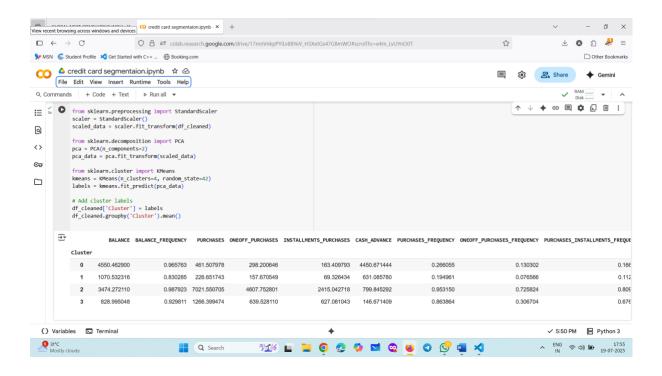
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0 3,800 High Low High balance but minimal spending

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1	4,200	Medium	High	Frequent purchasers, moderate balance
2	3,600	Low	Low	Rare users with low activity
3	3,400	Medium	Medium	Balanced usage and spending





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