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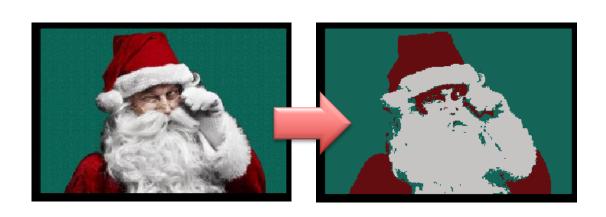
Homework 3

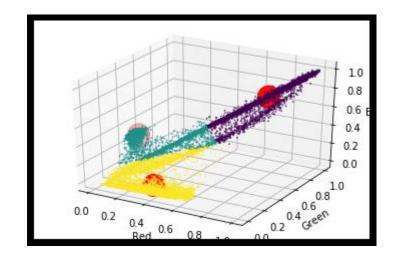
Machine Learning 2023

(P. Zanuttigh – ICT+Physics of Data)



Clustering and Image Segmentation





- Implement the k-means algorithm
 - The initialization is critical (use numpy randn function with mean and standard deviation of the data, good to scale std.dev, e.g. divide by 4)
 - Avoid empty clusters
- Use it for image segmentation
- See the results with a different number of clusters
- Compare with sklearn implementation ("inertia" is the error/cost function)
- □ Test linkage based approaches (called "agglomerative") in sklearn
- Evaluate the differences between k-means and linkage based approaches



- ☐ Complete the jupyter notebook
 - FIRST THING TO DO: you need to put your name and ID number in the notebook
 - You can use the ID also as seed for random number generators, try different seeds
 - The notebook has missing code: need to fill in what is missing
 - You must write the answer to all the questions in the notebook
 - But do not change the structure or the input data files, they will not be submitted
- ☐ Check that the notebook run properly from the beginning with the provided data
 - > use the "restart kernel&run all" command
- Save them as surname_name_lab3.ipynb
- Submit on elearning





Timeline

- ☐ Fri 1/12: Homework released and Lab 3 (room Ue)
- ☐ Thu 14/12: Delivery deadline
- ☐ The outcome is an on-off mark (i.e., +1 for the exam mark if the homework is reasonably done)