

# Introduction to Machine Learning

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## Problem Solving Session (Week-10)

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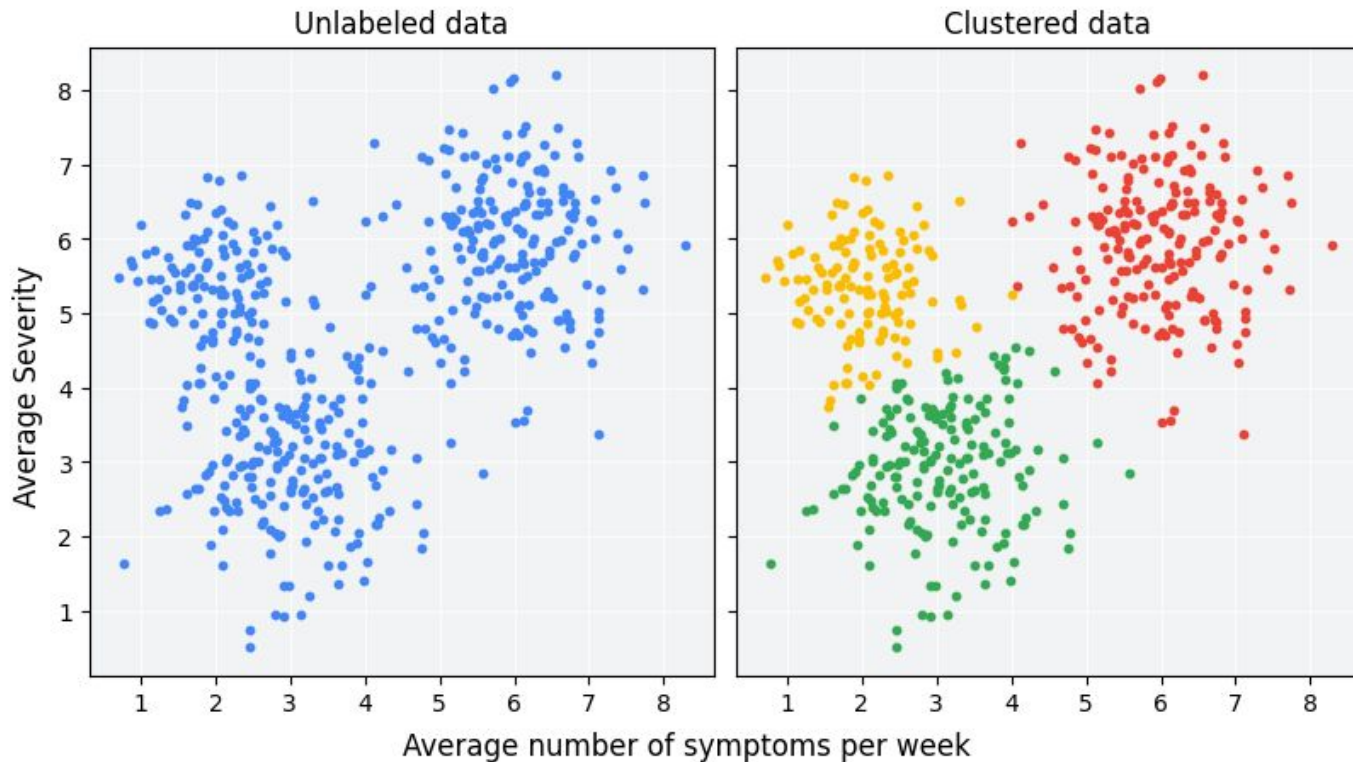
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# Week-10 Contents

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1. **Partitional Clustering (K-means)**
2. **Hierarchical Clustering (Agglomerative)**
3. **Birch Algorithm**
4. **Cure Algorithm**
5. **Density Based Clustering (DB-SCAN)**

# What is Clustering?



# What is Clustering?

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- **Definition:** Grouping similar data points together.
- **Goal:** Maximize intra-cluster similarity.  
Minimize inter-cluster similarity.
- **Formal Problem:** Partition  $n$  data points into  $k$  clusters.
- **Challenge:** Number of possible partitions is huge (combinatorial).

# Applications of Clustering

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- **Data Mining:** Categorization of unlabeled data.
- **Pre-processing:** Reduce large datasets to representative points (e.g., 10M  $\rightarrow$  10k clusters).
- **Visualization:** Understand structure in high-dimensional feature spaces.
- **Anomaly Detection:** Identify outliers (e.g., fraud detection).
- **Example:**
- Customer segmentation: Group users by behavior.

# Clustering Algorithms Overview

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- Three Main Approaches:
  - Partitional (e.g., K-means, K-medoids).
  - Hierarchical (e.g., Agglomerative).
  - Density-Based (e.g., DBSCAN).
- Key Difference:
- Partitional methods search directly for the final  $k$ -partition.

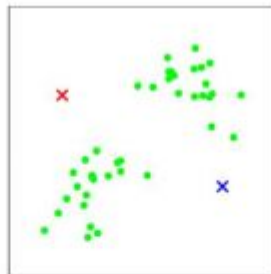
# K-Means Clustering

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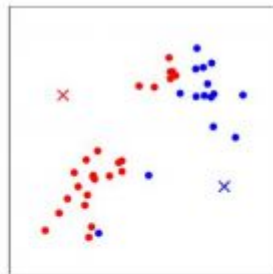
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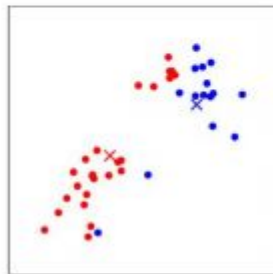
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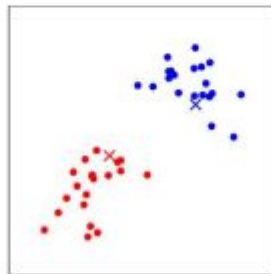
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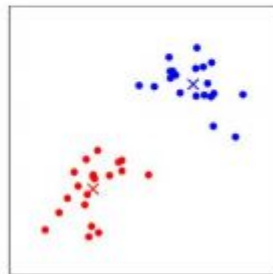
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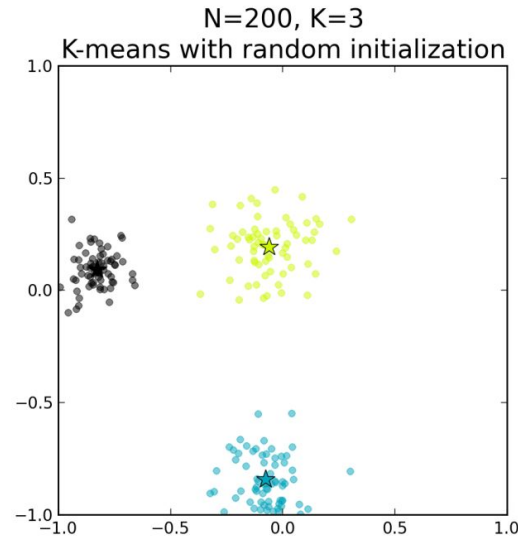
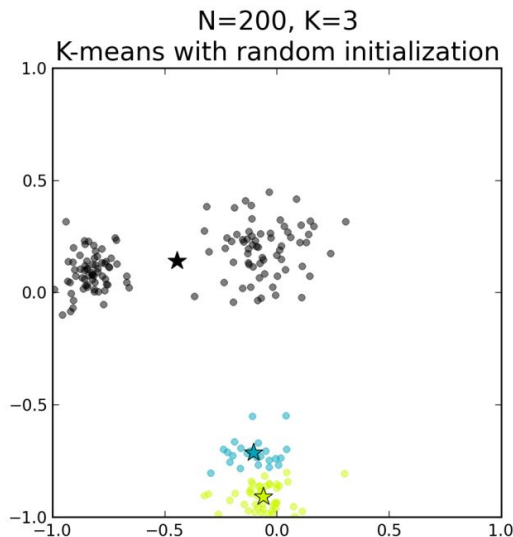
**Pros: Simple, fast.**

**Cons: Sensitive to initialization; assumes spherical clusters.**



# K-Means Initialization Matters!

- Problem: Random seeds can lead to poor local optima.
- Example:
- Bad initialization  $\rightarrow$  Uneven clusters.
- Solution: K-means++ (smart seeding).



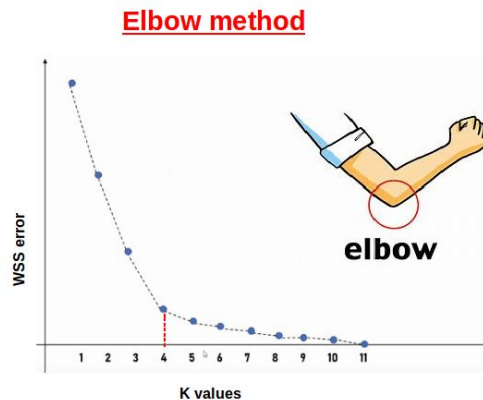
# K-Medoids and PAM

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- **K-Medoids:**
  - Uses actual data points as centroids (medoids).
  - Robust to outliers (median-like behavior).
- **PAM (Partitioning Around Medoids):**
  - Swap medoids with non-medoids.
  - Keep swaps that improve cluster quality.
- **Trade-off: Computationally expensive ( $O(n^2)$ )**

# How to Choose k?

- Methods:
- Domain Knowledge: Predefined k (e.g., 5 customer segments).
- Elbow Method: Plot k vs. distortion (sum of squared distances).
- Pick k at the "elbow" of the curve.



# Cluster Evaluation Metrics

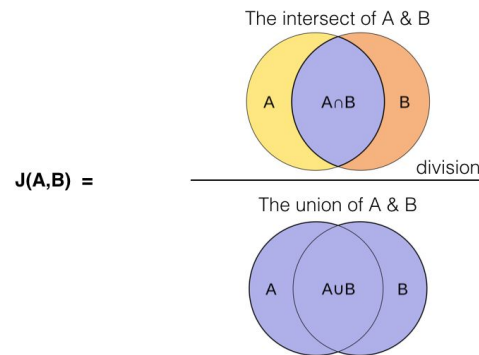
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- Diameter: Max/Avg pairwise distance in a cluster.
- Radius: Avg distance to centroid.
- Purity: % of dominant class in a cluster (if labels exist).
- Rand Index: Agreement with reference clustering.
- Formula:
- $\text{Purity} = (1/N) \sum_{\text{clusters}} \max_{\text{class}} |\text{cluster} \cap \text{class}|$

# Limitations of Clustering

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- **Ill-Posed Problem:** No unique "correct" clustering.
- **Distance Metrics:** Euclidean fails for categorical data.
- **Scalability:** PAM is slow for large  $n$ .
- **Workarounds:**
  - Use Jaccard similarity for categorical data.
  - Sample data before clustering.



# Example - K-Means

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- Given the following 2D data points, perform K-means clustering with  $K=2$ . Use Euclidean distance and show the first two iterations.
- Data Points: A(1,2), B(1.5,1.8), C(5,8), D(8,8), E(1,0.5), F(9,11)
- Initial Centroids (chosen randomly):
  - $\mu_1 = (1,2)$  (Point A)
  - $\mu_2 = (5,8)$  (Point C)

# Example - K-Means

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- Iteration 1
- Step 1: Assign Points to Nearest Centroid
- Calculate Euclidean distance ( $d$ ) from each point to centroids:

Point	Coordinates	$d$ to $\mu_1$	$d$ to $\mu_2$	Cluster
A	(1, 2)	0	7.21	1
B	(1.5, 1.8)	0.58	6.69	1
C	(5, 8)	7.21	0	2
D	(8, 8)	9.22	3.00	2
E	(1, 0.5)	1.50	8.32	1
F	(9, 11)	13.45	5.00	2

# Example - K-Means

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- **Cluster Assignments: Cluster 1: A, B, E                      Cluster 2: C, D, F**
- **Step 2: Update Centroids**
- **Recalculate centroids as the mean of assigned points:**

$$\bullet \mu_1 = \left( \frac{1+1.5+1}{3}, \frac{2+1.8+0.5}{3} \right) = (1.17, 1.43)$$

$$\bullet \mu_2 = \left( \frac{5+8+9}{3}, \frac{8+8+11}{3} \right) = (7.33, 9.00)$$



# Example - K-Means

- Iteration 2
- Step 1: Reassign Points to New Centroids

Point	Coordinates	$d$ to $\mu_1$	$d$ to $\mu_2$	Cluster
A	(1, 2)	0.85	8.52	1
B	(1.5, 1.8)	0.47	8.06	1
C	(5, 8)	6.74	2.69	2
D	(8, 8)	8.83	1.00	2
E	(1, 0.5)	0.93	9.19	1
F	(9, 11)	12.34	2.24	2

# Example - K-Means

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**Cluster Assignments:**

**Cluster 1: A, B, E**

**Cluster 2: C, D, F**

**Step 2: Check Convergence**

**Centroid remain unchanged (no reassignments).**

**Algorithm converges.**

# Example - K-Means

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**Final Result**

**Clusters:**

**Cluster 1 (Red): A(1,2), B(1.5,1.8), E(1,0.5)**

**Cluster 2 (Blue): C(5,8), D(8,8), F(9,11)**

**Final Centroids:**

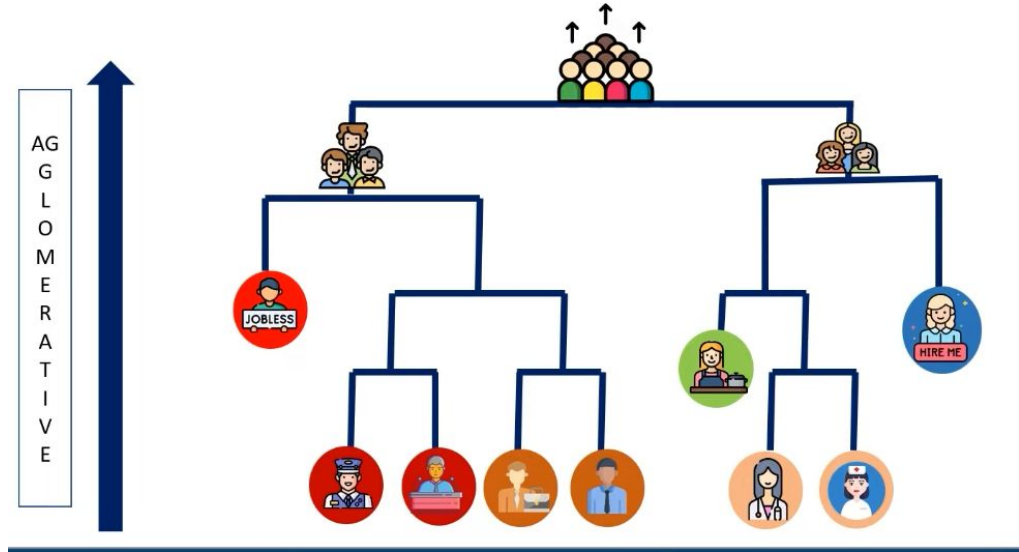
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# Hierarchical Clustering

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- Hierarchical clustering is a method of cluster analysis that builds a hierarchy of clusters.
- It starts with each data point as an individual cluster and successively merges the closest clusters until a single cluster remains.



# Steps in Hierarchical Clustering

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1. Start with each data point as a separate cluster.
2. Compute distances between clusters (initially between individual points).
3. Merge the closest clusters.
4. Repeat until only one cluster remains.
5. Generate a dendrogram to visualize the merging process.

# Distance Measures

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- There are multiple ways to measure the distance between clusters:
- Single Link Clustering:
  - Distance is defined by the closest pair of points between clusters.
  - May result in long, chain-like clusters.
- Complete Link Clustering:
  - Distance is defined by the farthest pair of points between clusters.
  - Tends to produce compact, well-separated clusters.
- Average Link Clustering:
  - Distance is the average of all pairwise distances between points in two clusters.

# Distance Measures

## Measuring Distance Between Clusters

- Centroid-Based Distance:
  - Distance is measured between the centroids of two clusters.
- Radius-Based Distance:
  - Clusters are merged based on the radius of the combined cluster.
- Diameter-Based Distance:
  - Clusters are merged based on the diameter of the combined cluster.

# Distance Metrics for Data Points

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  - The distance measure between individual data points depends on the type of data and can be:
- Euclidean Distance
- Manhattan Distance
- Jaccard Similarity
- Cosine Similarity
- Other domain-specific distance measures



# Dendrograms

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- A dendrogram is a tree-like diagram that illustrates the order and levels at which clusters were merged.
- The height at which two clusters are joined represents the distance between them.
- To determine the final clusters, the dendrogram is cut at a chosen threshold.

# Pros and Cons of Hierarchical Clustering

## Advantages of Hierarchical Clustering

-  No need to specify the number of clusters  $K$  in advance.
-  Provides a complete hierarchical decomposition of the dataset.
-  Can visualize the clustering process using a dendrogram.

## Disadvantages of Hierarchical Clustering

-  Computationally expensive for large datasets.
-  Sensitive to noise and outliers.
-  Merging decisions are irreversible.

# Choosing the Number of Clusters

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- The knee method or thresholding the dendrogram can help determine the optimal number of clusters.
- Look for a large jump in merging distances to decide where to cut the dendrogram.

# Example : Hierarchical Clustering

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- Given the following dataset with five points:
- Perform hierarchical clustering using the Euclidean distance and single linkage.

Point	X	Y
A	1	2
B	2	3
C	3	6
D	8	8
E	9	10

# Example : Hierarchical Clustering

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- Solution Steps
- Compute the pairwise Euclidean distances:
- Example: Distance between A and B:
- Create an initial distance matrix (distances between all points are computed).
- Find the closest pair: A and B are closest, so merge them into one cluster.
- Recompute the distance matrix:
- Using single linkage, the distance between clusters is the minimum of all pairwise distances.
- Repeat until only one cluster remains.

# Example : Hierarchical Clustering

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Step 1:  $(A,B)=1.41$  —C1- Merge them

	<i>A</i>	<i>B</i>	<i>C</i>	<i>D</i>	<i>E</i>
<i>A</i>	0	1.41	4.47	9.22	11.31
<i>B</i>	1.41	0	3.16	7.81	9.90
<i>C</i>	4.47	3.16	0	5.39	7.21
<i>D</i>	9.22	7.81	5.39	0	2.24
<i>E</i>	11.31	9.90	7.21	2.24	0

Step2: Update distance matrix

	$(A,B)$	<i>C</i>	<i>D</i>	<i>E</i>
$(A,B)$	0	3.16	7.81	9.90
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<i>D</i>	7.81	5.39	0	2.24
<i>E</i>	9.90	7.21	2.24	0

# Example : Hierarchical Clustering

Step 3:  $(D,E)=2.24$  —C2- Merge them

	$(A, B)$	$C$	$D$	$E$
$(A, B)$	0	3.16	7.81	9.90
$C$	3.16	0	5.39	7.21
$D$	7.81	5.39	0	2.24
$E$	9.90	7.21	2.24	0

Step4: Update distance matrix

	$(A, B)$	$C$	$(D, E)$
$(A, B)$	0	3.16	7.81
$C$	3.16	0	5.39
$(D, E)$	7.81	5.39	0

# Example : Hierarchical Clustering

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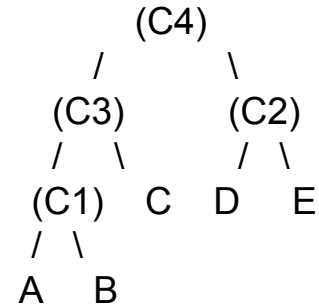
Step 5:  $(C1,C)=3.16$  —C3- Merge them

	$(A, B)$	$C$	$(D, E)$
$(A, B)$	0	3.16	7.81
$C$	3.16	0	5.39
$(D, E)$	7.81	5.39	0

Step 6: Update distance matrix

Step 7: Merge all

	$(A, B, C)$	$(D, E)$
$(A, B, C)$	0	5.39
$(D, E)$	5.39	0

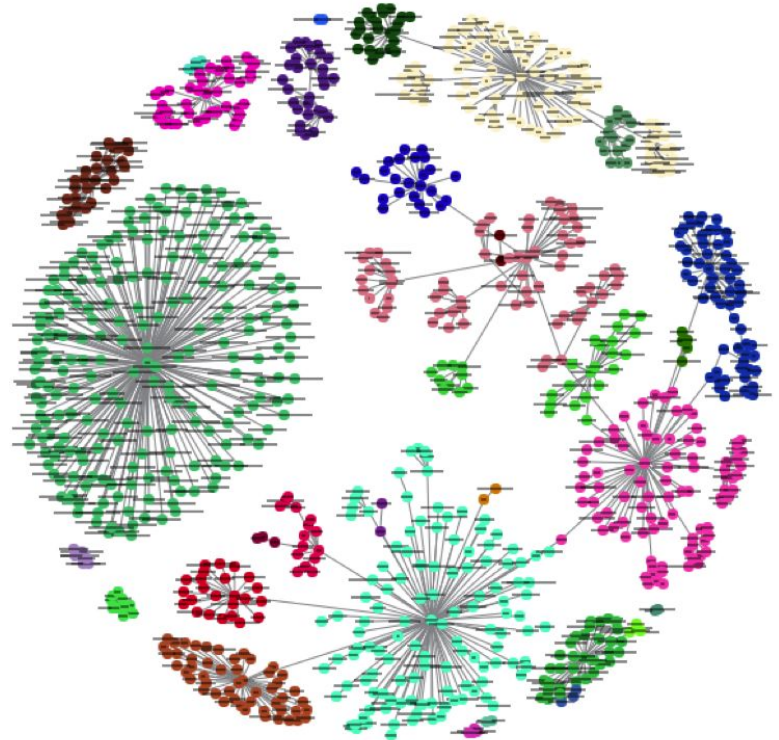




# BIRCH Clustering for Large Datasets

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- **Balanced Iterative Reducing and Clustering using Hierarchies**
- **Scalable clustering for massive data**
- **Two-phase approach: CF-Tree (Clustering Features) + Refinement**
- **Memory-efficient hierarchical clustering**



# Why BIRCH?

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- **Challenges with Large Data:**
  - K-means requires multiple passes (expensive for disk/network I/O).
  - Hierarchical methods are  $O(n^2)$  in memory.
- **BIRCH Solution:**
  - Phase 1: Build a CF-Tree (summarize data into tight subclusters).
  - Phase 2: Refine clusters using the CF-Tree's summaries.
- **Key Idea: Reduce  $n$  to  $k$  representatives (e.g., 1M  $\rightarrow$  10K).**

# Clustering Feature (CF) Vector

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- Definition: A tuple summarizing a cluster:  $CF=(N, LS, SS)$ 
  - N: Number of points in the cluster.
  - LS : Linear Sum of points (vector).
  - SS: Sum of Squares (scalar).
- Example:
- For cluster with points (1,2) and (3,4):
  - $CF=(2, (1+3, 2+4), (1+9+4+16)) = (2, (4, 6), 30)$
- Properties:
- CFs are additive (merge clusters by adding CFs).
- Enable centroid (LS/N, radius, diameter calculations).

# Clustering Feature (CF) Vector

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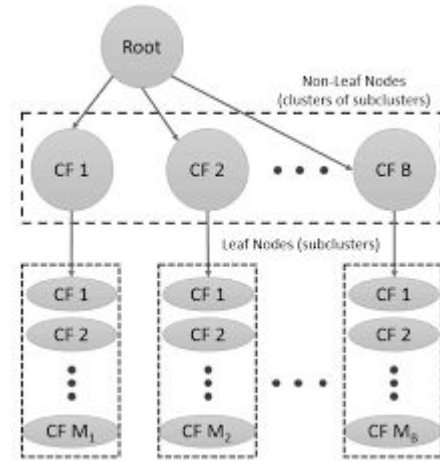
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Cluster's centroid,  $X_0 = \frac{LS}{n}$

Cluster's radius,  $R = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - X_0)^2}{n}} = \sqrt{\frac{n(SS) - 2LS^2 - n(LS)^2}{n^2}}$

Cluster's diameter,  $D = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n (x_i - x_j)^2}{n(n-1)}} = \sqrt{\frac{2n(SS) - 2(LS)^2}{n(n-1)}}$

# CF-Tree Construction



- **Structure:**
  - **Leaf Nodes:** Store CF entries (subclusters).
  - **Non-Leaf Nodes:** Store CFs summarizing child nodes.
- **Algorithm Steps:**
  - Insert a point into the closest CF in the leaf (based on centroid/diameter threshold).
  - If leaf exceeds max entries (e.g., 10), split leaf and propagate CFs upward.
  - Repeat until all points are processed.

# Phase 1 Example (CF-Tree Build)

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- Data Points: (1,2),(1.5,1.8),(5,8),(8,8),(9,11)
- Threshold: Max diameter = 3.0
- Key Insight: Points are grouped into tight subclusters dynamically.

Step	Action	CF-Tree State
1	Insert (1, 2)	Leaf1: CF1=(1,(1,2),5)
2	Insert (1.5, 1.8) (d=0.58)	Leaf1: CF1=(2,(2.5,3.8),11.3)
3	Insert (5, 8) (d=7.2 > 3)	New Leaf2: CF2=(1,(5,8),89)

# Phase 2: Global Clustering

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- **Input:** CF-Tree leaf entries (subcluster centroids).
- **Process:**
  - Run any clustering algorithm (e.g., K-means, hierarchical) on the centroids.
  - Assign original data points to the nearest final centroid (1 additional pass).
- **Advantages:**
  - **Scalable:** Works with summaries, not raw data.
  - **Flexible:** Choose any clustering method for refinement.

# BIRCH vs. K-means

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Aspect	BIRCH	K-means
Passes	2 passes (build + refine)	Multiple (per iteration)
Memory	CF-Tree (fixed size)	Stores all points
Outliers	Handled via diameter threshold	Sensitive to centroids
Use Case	Massive data (>1M points)	Small/medium datasets



# Limitations of BIRCH

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- **Order Sensitivity:** Early points influence CF-Tree structure.
  - **Threshold Tuning:** Diameter threshold impacts cluster granularity.
  - **Non-Spherical Clusters:** Struggles with arbitrary shapes (like K-means).
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- **Workaround:**
  - Use BIRCH for initial reduction, then DBSCAN for refinement.

# CURE: Clustering Using Representatives

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1. Handles non-convex clusters
2. Sampling-based approach for scalability
3. Shrinkage-based outlier robustness

# Why CURE?

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- **Limitations of Traditional Methods:**
- **K-means:** Only convex clusters (spherical shapes).
- **Hierarchical Methods:**  $O(n^2)$  complexity  $\rightarrow$  infeasible for large  $n$ .
  
- **CURE's Solution:**
- **Sampling:** Work with a memory-friendly subset of data.
- **Representative Points:** Capture cluster boundaries (not just centroids).
- **Shrinkage:** Mitigate outlier influence.

# Key Steps of CURE

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- **Sampling:** Randomly partition data into subsets (fit in memory).
- **Initial Clustering:** Run hierarchical clustering on each subset.
- **Representative Points:**
  - For each cluster, pick  $m$  farthest points from centroid.
  - Shrink them toward centroid by factor  $\alpha$  (e.g.,  $\alpha=0.3$ ).
- **Reassignment:** Assign points to the closest representative.
- **Merge:** Combine subsets' representatives and recluster.

# Representative Points Selection

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- **Process:**
  - Compute centroid  $\mu$  of a cluster.
  - Find farthest point  $p_1$  from  $\mu$ .
  - Find farthest point  $p_2$  from  $p_1$ .
  - Repeat for  $m$  points.
  - Shrink: Move each  $p_i$  toward  $\mu$  by  $\alpha \times d(p_i, \mu)$
- **Example:**
  - Cluster points:  $((1,1), (1,2), (5,5), (6,6))$ .
  - Centroid  $\mu = (3.25, 3.5)$ .
  - Farthest point:  $p_1 = (6,6)$ .
  - Shrunk point ( $\alpha = 0.2$ ):
  - $p_1' = (6 - 0.2 \times (6 - 3.25), 6 - 0.2 \times (6 - 3.5)) \approx (5.25, 5.5)$

# Parallelization in CURE

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- **Scalability Trick:**
  - Split data into  $k$  random partitions.
  - Process each partition independently (parallelizable).
  - Merge results by clustering all representatives.
- **Example:**
  - 1M points  $\rightarrow$  10 partitions of 100K each.
  - Each partition  $\rightarrow$  100 clusters  $\times$  4 reps = 400 points.
  - Final merge: 4K points  $\rightarrow$  manageable clustering.
  - Advantage: Avoids full  $O(n^2)$  computations.

# CURE vs. K-means vs. BIRCH

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Feature	CURE	K-means	BIRCH
Cluster Shape	Non-convex	Convex	Convex
Scalability	High (sampling)	Medium	High (CF-Tree)
Outlier Handling	Shrinkage	Sensitive	Threshold-based
Complexity	$O(n \text{ sample})$	$O(n \times k \times \text{iter})$	$O(n)$

# Parameters in CURE

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- Number of Representatives ( $m$ ): Typically 5–20.
- Shrinkage ( $\alpha$ ): 0.2–0.5 (balances outlier robustness and boundary accuracy).
- Sample Size: As large as memory allows.
- Trade-offs:
  - Larger  $m$ : Better boundary detection but higher overhead.
  - Smaller  $\alpha$ : More outlier resistance but less precise boundaries.



# Limitations of CURE

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- **Parameter Sensitivity:** Performance depends on  $m$ ,  $\alpha$ , and sample size.
- **Order Dependency:** Initial sampling affects results.
- **Overhead:** Representative selection adds computation.
  
- **Workaround:**
- Use multiple samples and aggregate (e.g., ensemble clustering).

# DBSCAN: Density-Based Clustering

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Handling Arbitrary Cluster Shapes and Noise

Key concepts: Core points, density-reachability, noise

Parameters:  $\epsilon$  (epsilon) and minPts

Advantages over K-means and hierarchical clustering

# Why DBSCAN?

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**Limitations of Traditional Methods:**

**K-means: Only convex clusters (fails on non-spherical shapes).**

**Hierarchical: Computationally expensive ( $O(n^2)$ )**

**DBSCAN's Solution:**

**Density-based: Clusters are dense regions separated by low-density areas.**

**Noise Handling: Automatically identifies outliers.**

# Key Definitions

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$\epsilon$  (epsilon): Radius of neighborhood around a point.

minPts: Minimum points to define a dense region.

Core Point: A point with  $\geq \text{minPts}$  within  $\epsilon$ .

Border Point: Fewer than minPts but reachable from a core point.

Noise Point: Not reachable from any core point.

# Density-Reachability and Connectivity

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**Density-Reachable:** Point  $p$  is reachable from  $q$  if there's a path of core points within  $\epsilon$ .

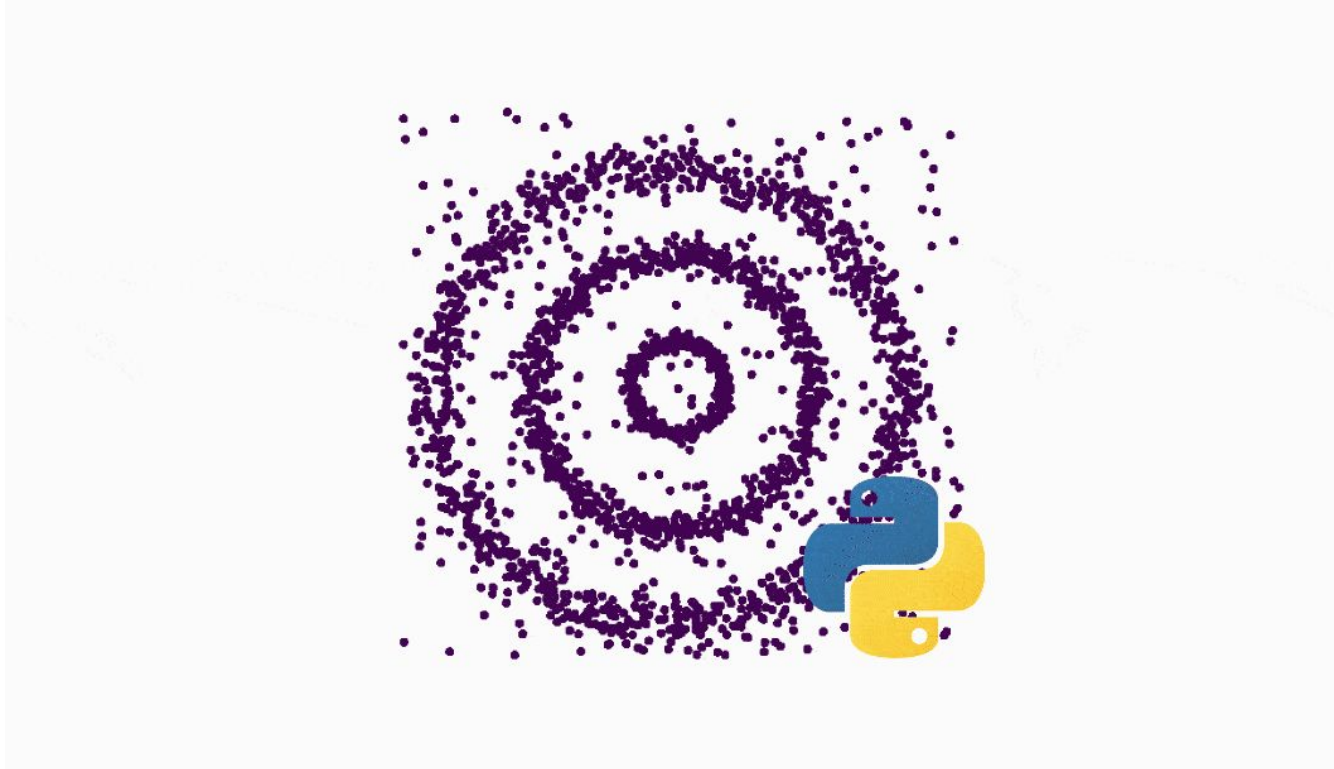
**Density-Connected:** Points  $p$  and  $q$  are connected if they share a common core point.

**Cluster Definition:**

**A cluster is a set of density-connected points.**

# DBSCAN Algorithm Steps

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# DBSCAN Algorithm Steps

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- **Random Start:** Pick an unvisited point.
- **Core Check:** Count neighbors in  $\epsilon$ -radius.
- **If  $\geq \text{minPts}$ ,** mark as core and expand cluster.
- **Expand Cluster:** Recursively add density-reachable points.
- **Repeat:** Until all points are visited.

# Parameter Sensitivity

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- Effects of  $\epsilon$  and minPts:
- Large  $\epsilon$ /Small minPts: Fewer, larger clusters (may merge true clusters).
- Small  $\epsilon$ /Large minPts: More clusters, more noise.
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- Rule of Thumb:
- minPts: Start with  $\text{minPts} \geq \text{dimensions} + 1$
- $\epsilon$ : Use k-distance plot (find "knee" for optimal  $\epsilon$ ).



# Advantages & Limitations

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- Pros:
- Handles arbitrary shapes and noise.
- No need to specify cluster count (unlike K-means).
- Cons:
- Sensitive to  $\epsilon$  and minPts.
- Struggles with varying densities.
- Alternatives:
- OPTICS: Handles varying  $\epsilon$  (hierarchical density).
- HDBSCAN: Automates parameter selection.

# DBSCAN vs. K-means vs. Hierarchical

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Feature	DBSCAN	K-means	Hierarchical
Cluster Shape	Arbitrary	Convex	Arbitrary
Noise Handling	Yes	No	No
Parameters	$\epsilon$ , minPts	K	Linkage type

# Example:DBSCAN

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## Step 1: Given Data Points

$$X = \{(1, 1), (1, 2), (2, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), (8, 8), (8, 9), (9, 8), (9, 9), (10, 10)\}$$

- $\epsilon$  (epsilon) = 1.5 (Neighborhood radius)
- MinPts = 3 (Minimum number of points required to be a core point)

# Example:DBSCAN

Point	(1,1)	(1,2)	(2,1)	(2,2)	(3,3)	(8,8)	(8,9)	(9,8)	(9,9)	(10,10)
(1,1)	0	1✓	1✓	1.41✓	2.83✗	9.90✗	10.63✗	10.63✗	11.31✗	12.73✗
(1,2)	1✓	0	1.41✓	1✓	2.23✗	9.22✗	9.90✗	9.90✗	10.63✗	12.08✗
(2,1)	1✓	1.41✓	0	1✓	2.23✗	9.22✗	9.90✗	9.90✗	10.63✗	12.08✗
(2,2)	1.41✓	1✓	1✓	0	1.41✓	8.48✗	9.22✗	9.22✗	9.90✗	11.31✗
(3,3)	2.83✗	2.23✗	2.23✗	1.41✓	0	7.07✗	7.81✗	7.81✗	8.48✗	9.90✗
(8,8)	9.90✗	9.22✗	9.22✗	8.48✗	7.07✗	0	1✓	1✓	1.41✓	2.83✗
(8,9)	10.63✗	9.90✗	9.90✗	9.22✗	7.81✗	1✓	0	1.41✓	1✓	2.23✗
(9,8)	10.63✗	9.90✗	9.90✗	9.22✗	7.81✗	1✓	1.41✓	0	1✓	2.23✗
(9,9)	11.31✗	10.63✗	10.63✗	9.90✗	8.48✗	1.41✓	1✓	1✓	0	1.41✓
(10,10)	12.73✗	12.08✗	12.08✗	11.31✗	9.90✗	2.83✗	2.23✗	2.23✗	1.41✓	0

# Example:DBSCAN

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Point	Coordinates	Direct Neighbors (distance $\leq 1.5$ )	# Neighbors	Core? (MinPts=3)
(1,1)	P1	(1,2), (2,1), (2,2)	3	<b>Yes</b>
(1,2)	P2	(1,1), (2,1), (2,2)	3	<b>Yes</b>
(2,1)	P3	(1,1), (1,2), (2,2)	3	<b>Yes</b>
(2,2)	P4	(1,1), (1,2), (2,1), (3,3)	4	<b>Yes</b>
(3,3)	P5	(2,2)	1	No
(8,8)	P6	(8,9), (9,8), (9,9)	3	<b>Yes</b>
(8,9)	P7	(8,8), (9,8), (9,9)	3	<b>Yes</b>
(9,8)	P8	(8,8), (8,9), (9,9)	3	<b>Yes</b>
(9,9)	P9	(8,8), (8,9), (9,8), (10,10)	4	<b>Yes</b>
(10,10)	P10	(9,9)	1	No

# Example:DBSCAN

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(1,1)	P1	(1,2), (2,1), (2,2)	3	Yes
(1,2)	P2	(1,1), (2,1), (2,2)	3	Yes
(2,1)	P3	(1,1), (1,2), (2,2)	3	Yes
(2,2)	P4	(1,1), (1,2), (2,1), (3,3)	4	Yes
(3,3)	P5	(2,2)	1	No
(8,8)	P6	(8,9), (9,8), (9,9)	3	Yes
(8,9)	P7	(8,8), (9,8), (9,9)	3	Yes
(9,8)	P8	(8,8), (8,9), (9,9)	3	Yes
(9,9)	P9	(8,8), (8,9), (9,8), (10,10)	4	Yes
(10,10)	P10	(9,9)	1	No

## Step 1: Start with P1 (1,1)

- P1 (1,1) is a Core Point because it has 3 neighbors: (1,2), (2,1), (2,2)
- Form a new cluster C1 and mark all reachable neighbors.
- Cluster C1 = {P1 (1,1)}
- Expand to neighbors: P2 (1,2), P3 (2,1), P4 (2,2)

## Step 2: Expand to P2 (1,2)

- P2 (1,2) is a Core Point (has 3 neighbors: (1,1), (2,1), (2,2))
- Add P2 to Cluster C1
- New Cluster C1 = {P1 (1,1), P2 (1,2)}
- Expand to its neighbors (already in C1, so stop expanding here).

# Example:DBSCAN

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Point	Coordinates	Direct Neighbors (distance $\leq 1.5$ )	# Neighbors	Core? (MinPts=3)
(1,1)	P1	(1,2), (2,1), (2,2)	3	Yes
(1,2)	P2	(1,1), (2,1), (2,2)	3	Yes
(2,1)	P3	(1,1), (1,2), (2,2)	3	Yes
(2,2)	P4	(1,1), (1,2), (2,1), (3,3)	4	Yes
(3,3)	P5	(2,2)	1	No
(8,8)	P6	(8,9), (9,8), (9,9)	3	Yes
(8,9)	P7	(8,8), (9,8), (9,9)	3	Yes
(9,8)	P8	(8,8), (8,9), (9,9)	3	Yes
(9,9)	P9	(8,8), (8,9), (9,8), (10,10)	4	Yes
(10,10)	P10	(9,9)	1	No

## Step 3: Expand to P3 (2,1)

- P3 (2,1) is a Core Point (has 3 neighbors: (1,1), (1,2), (2,2))
- Add P3 to Cluster C1
- New Cluster C1 = {P1 (1,1), P2 (1,2), P3 (2,1)}
- Expand to its neighbors (already in C1, so stop expanding).

## Step 4: Expand to P4 (2,2)

- P4 (2,2) is a Core Point (has 4 neighbors: (1,1), (1,2), (2,1), (3,3))
- Add P4 to Cluster C1
- New Cluster C1 = {P1 (1,1), P2 (1,2), P3 (2,1), P4 (2,2)}
- Expand to its neighbors (only P5 (3,3) is left).

# Example:DBSCAN

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Point	Coordinates	Direct Neighbors (distance $\leq 1.5$ )	# Neighbors	Core? (MinPts=3)
(1,1)	P1	(1,2), (2,1), (2,2)	3	Yes
(1,2)	P2	(1,1), (2,1), (2,2)	3	Yes
(2,1)	P3	(1,1), (1,2), (2,2)	3	Yes
(2,2)	P4	(1,1), (1,2), (2,1), (3,3)	4	Yes
(3,3)	P5	(2,2)	1	No
(8,8)	P6	(8,9), (9,8), (9,9)	3	Yes
(8,9)	P7	(8,8), (9,8), (9,9)	3	Yes
(9,8)	P8	(8,8), (8,9), (9,9)	3	Yes
(9,9)	P9	(8,8), (8,9), (9,8), (10,10)	4	Yes
(10,10)	P10	(9,9)	1	No

## Step 5: Expand to P5 (3,3)

- P5 (3,3) is NOT a Core Point (only 1 neighbor: (2,2))
- It is a Border Point but still added to Cluster C1.
- Final Cluster C1 = {P1, P2, P3, P4, P5}
- Expansion stops as no more reachable Core Points exist.

## Step 6: Move to Next Unvisited Point: P6 (8,8)

- P6 (8,8) is a Core Point (has 3 neighbors: (8,9), (9,8), (9,9))
- Start a new cluster C2
- Cluster C2 = {P6 (8,8)}
- Expand to neighbors: P7 (8,9), P8 (9,8), P9 (9,9)



# Example:DBSCAN

Point	Coordinates	Direct Neighbors (distance $\leq 1.5$ )	# Neighbors	Core? (MinPts=3)
(1,1)	P1	(1,2), (2,1), (2,2)	3	Yes
(1,2)	P2	(1,1), (2,1), (2,2)	3	Yes
(2,1)	P3	(1,1), (1,2), (2,2)	3	Yes
(2,2)	P4	(1,1), (1,2), (2,1), (3,3)	4	Yes
(3,3)	P5	(2,2)	1	No
(8,8)	P6	(8,9), (9,8), (9,9)	3	Yes
(8,9)	P7	(8,8), (9,8), (9,9)	3	Yes
(9,8)	P8	(8,8), (8,9), (9,9)	3	Yes
(9,9)	P9	(8,8), (8,9), (9,8), (10,10)	4	Yes
(10,10)	P10	(9,9)	1	No

## Step 7: Expand to P7 (8,9)

- P7 (8,9) is a Core Point (has 3 neighbors: (8,8), (9,8), (9,9))
- Add P7 to Cluster C2
- New Cluster C2 = {P6 (8,8), P7 (8,9)}
- Expand to its neighbors (already in C2, so stop expanding).

## Step 8: Expand to P8 (9,8)

- P8 (9,8) is a Core Point (has 3 neighbors: (8,8), (8,9), (9,9))
- Add P8 to Cluster C2
- New Cluster C2 = {P6 (8,8), P7 (8,9), P8 (9,8)}
- Expand to its neighbors (already in C2, so stop expanding).

# Example:DBSCAN

Point	Coordinates	Direct Neighbors (distance $\leq 1.5$ )	# Neighbors	Core? (MinPts=3)
(1,1)	P1	(1,2), (2,1), (2,2)	3	Yes
(1,2)	P2	(1,1), (2,1), (2,2)	3	Yes
(2,1)	P3	(1,1), (1,2), (2,2)	3	Yes
(2,2)	P4	(1,1), (1,2), (2,1), (3,3)	4	Yes
(3,3)	P5	(2,2)	1	No
(8,8)	P6	(8,9), (9,8), (9,9)	3	Yes
(8,9)	P7	(8,8), (9,8), (9,9)	3	Yes
(9,8)	P8	(8,8), (8,9), (9,9)	3	Yes
(9,9)	P9	(8,8), (8,9), (9,8), (10,10)	4	Yes
(10,10)	P10	(9,9)	1	No

## Step 10: Expand to P10 (10,10)

- P10 (10,10) is NOT a Core Point (only 1 neighbor: (9,9))
- It is a Border Point but still added to Cluster C2.
- Final Cluster C2 = {P6, P7, P8, P9, P10}
- Expansion stops as no more reachable Core Points exist.

## Final Result: DBSCAN Clusters

We now have two clusters:

- Cluster 1 (C1) = {P1 (1,1), P2 (1,2), P3 (2,1), P4 (2,2), P5 (3,3)}
- Cluster 2 (C2) = {P6 (8,8), P7 (8,9), P8 (9,8), P9 (9,9), P10 (10,10)}

# Example:DBSCAN

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## Conclusion

### ✓ Final Clusters:

1. C1: {(1,1), (1,2), (2,1), (2,2), (3,3)}
2. C2: {(8,8), (8,9), (9,8), (9,9), (10,10)}

### ✓ Core Points:

- C1: (1,1), (1,2), (2,1), (2,2)
- C2: (8,8), (8,9), (9,8), (9,9)

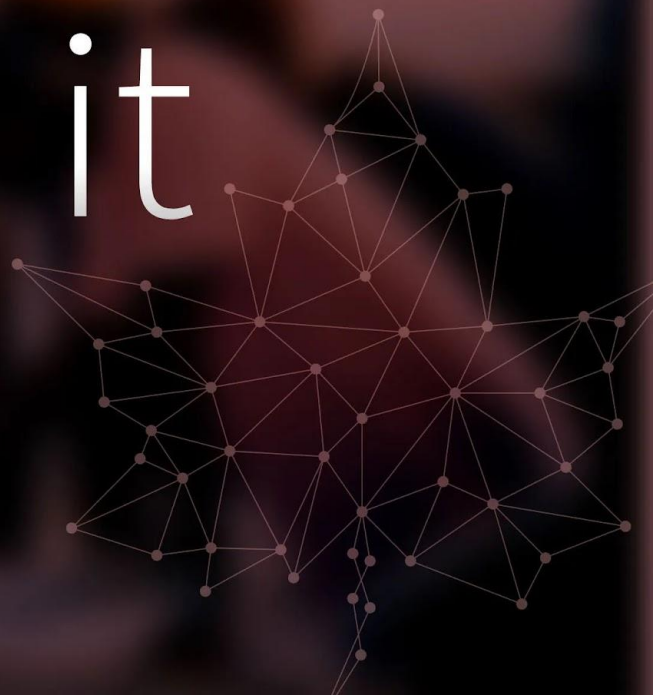
### ✓ Border Points:

- C1: (3,3)
- C2: (10,10)

### ✓ No Noise Points since all points belong to clusters.

# Assignment-10 (Cs-101- 2024) (Week-10)

Let's <sup>SOLVE</sup> = it



# Question-1

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01:00

In a clustering evaluation, a cluster C contains 50 data points. Of these, 30 belong to class A, 15 to class B, and 5 to class C. What is the purity of this cluster?

- a) 0.5
- b) 0.6
- c) 0.7
- d) 0.8

# Question-1- Correct answer

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**Correct options: (b)-Purity = (Number of data points in the most frequent class) / (Total number of data points)**

# Question-2

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01:00

Consider the following 2D dataset with 10 points:

(1, 1), (1, 2), (2, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), (8, 8), (8, 9), (9, 8), (9, 9), (10, 10)

Using DBSCAN with  $\epsilon = 1.5$  and  $\text{MinPts} = 3$ , how many core points are there in this dataset?

- a) 4
- b) 5
- c) 8
- d) 10

# Question-2-Explanation

Point	(1,1)	(1,2)	(2,1)	(2,2)	(3,3)	(8,8)	(8,9)	(9,8)	(9,9)	(10,10)
(1,1)	0	1✓	1✓	1.41✓	2.83✗	9.90✗	10.63✗	10.63✗	11.31✗	12.73✗
(1,2)	1✓	0	1.41✓	1✓	2.23✗	9.22✗	9.90✗	9.90✗	10.63✗	12.08✗
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(8,9)	10.63✗	9.90✗	9.90✗	9.22✗	7.81✗	1✓	0	1.41✓	1✓	2.23✗
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(9,9)	11.31✗	10.63✗	10.63✗	9.90✗	8.48✗	1.41✓	1✓	1✓	0	1.41✓
(10,10)	12.73✗	12.08✗	12.08✗	11.31✗	9.90✗	2.83✗	2.23✗	2.23✗	1.41✓	0



## Question-2- Correct answer

Consider the following 2D dataset with 10 points (1, 1), (1, 2), (2, 1), (2, 2), (3, 3), (8, 8), (8, 9), (9, 8), (9, 9), (10, 10)

Using DBSCAN with  $\epsilon = 1.5$  and  $\text{MinPts} = 3$ , how many core points are there in this dataset?

- a) 4
- b) 5
- c) 8
- d) 10

**Correct options: (c)** To be a core point, it needs at least 3 points (including itself) within  $\epsilon = 1.5$  distance. There are 8 core points: (1,1), (1,2), (2,1), (2,2) from first group and (8,8), (8,9), (9,8), (9,9) from second group.

# Question-3

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3. (1 Mark) In BIRCH, using number of points **N**, sum of points **SUM** and sum of squared points **SS**, we can determine the centroid and radius of the combination of any two clusters A and B. How do you determine the radius of the combined cluster? (In terms of **N**, **SUM** and **SS** of both two clusters A and B)

Radius of a cluster is given by:

$$Radius = \sqrt{\frac{SS}{N} - \left(\frac{SUM}{N}\right)^2}$$

Note: We use the following definition of radius from the BIRCH paper: "Radius is the average distance from the member points to the centroid."

- (a)  $Radius = \sqrt{\frac{SS_A}{N_A} - \left(\frac{SUM_A}{N_A}\right)^2} + \sqrt{\frac{SS_B}{N_B} - \left(\frac{SUM_B}{N_B}\right)^2}$
- (b)  $Radius = \sqrt{\frac{SS_A}{N_A} - \left(\frac{SUM_A}{N_A}\right)^2} + \sqrt{\frac{SS_B}{N_B} - \left(\frac{SUM_B}{N_B}\right)^2}$
- (c)  $Radius = \sqrt{\frac{SS_A + SS_B}{N_A + N_B} - \left(\frac{SUM_A + SUM_B}{N_A + N_B}\right)^2}$
- (d)  $Radius = \sqrt{\frac{SS_A}{N_A} + \frac{SS_B}{N_B} - \left(\frac{SUM_A + SUM_B}{N_A + N_B}\right)^2}$

# Question-3 - Correct answer

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- (c)  $Radius = \sqrt{\frac{SS_A + SS_B}{N_A + N_B} - \left(\frac{SUM_A + SUM_B}{N_A + N_B}\right)^2}$
- (d)  $Radius = \sqrt{\frac{SS_A}{N_A} + \frac{SS_B}{N_B} - \left(\frac{SUM_A + SUM_B}{N_A + N_B}\right)^2}$

**Correct options: (c)**

## Question-4

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03:00

Which of the following properties are TRUE?

- a) Using the CURE algorithm can lead to non-convex clusters.
- b) K-means scales better than CURE for large datasets.
- c) CURE is a simplification of K-means and hence scales better than k-means for large datasets.
- d) K-means being more expensive to run on large datasets, can give non-convex clusters too.

# Question-4 - Correct answer

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Which of the following properties are TRUE?

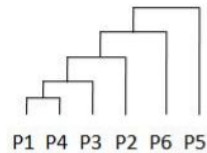
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- d) K-means being more expensive to run on large datasets, can give non-convex clusters too.

**Correct options: (a)**

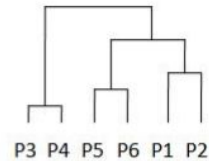
# Question-5

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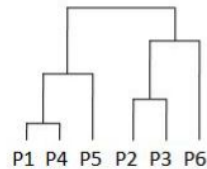
The pairwise distance between 6 points is given below. Which of the option shows the hierarchy of clusters created by single link clustering algorithm?



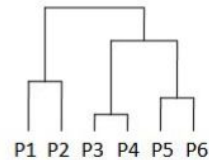
(a)



(b)



(c)



(d)

	P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	P6
P1	0	3	8	9	5	4
P2	3	0	9	8	10	9
P3	8	9	0	1	6	7
P4	9	8	1	0	7	8
P5	5	10	6	7	0	2
P6	4	9	7	8	2	0

# Question-5-Explanation

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	P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	P6
P1	0	3	8	9	5	4
P2	3	0	9	8	10	9
P3	8	9	0	1	6	7
P4	9	8	1	0	7	8
P5	5	10	6	7	0	2
P6	4	9	7	8	2	0

Step 1: Connect closest pair of points. Closest pairs are:

[C1]  $d(P3, P4) = 1$ , [C2]  $d(P5, P6) = 2$ , [C3]  $d(P1, P2) = 3$

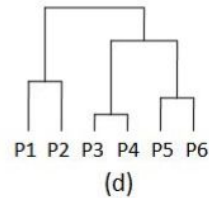
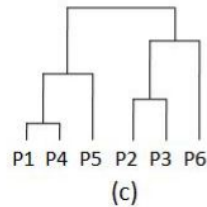
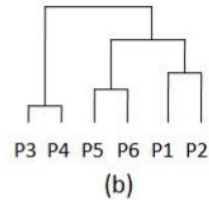
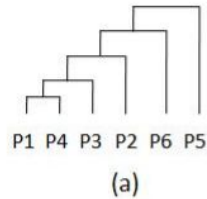
Step 2: Connect clusters with single link. The cluster pair to combine is bolded:

$d(C3, C1) = 8$       **[C4]  $d(C3, C2) = 4$**        $d(C2, C1) = 6$

Step 3: Connect the final 2 clusters

# Question-5 - Correct answer

The pairwise distance between 6 points is given below. Which of the option shows the hierarchy of clusters created by single link clustering algorithm?



	P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	P6
P1	0	3	8	9	5	4
P2	3	0	9	8	10	9
P3	8	9	0	1	6	7
P4	9	8	1	0	7	8
P5	5	10	6	7	0	2
P6	4	9	7	8	2	0

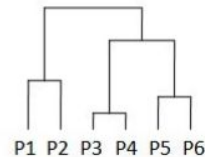
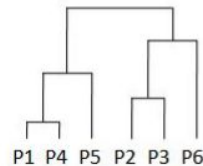
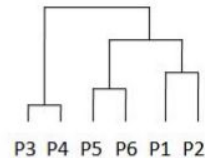
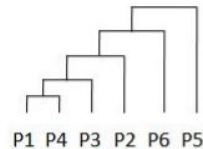
**Correct options: (b)**



# Question-6

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For the pairwise distance matrix given in the previous question, which of the following shows the hierarchy of clusters created by the complete link clustering algorithm.



	P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	P6
P1	0	3	8	9	5	4
P2	3	0	9	8	10	9
P3	8	9	0	1	6	7
P4	9	8	1	0	7	8
P5	5	10	6	7	0	2
P6	4	9	7	8	2	0

# Question-6-Explanation

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	P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	P6
P1	0	3	8	9	5	4
P2	3	0	9	8	10	9
P3	8	9	0	1	6	7
P4	9	8	1	0	7	8
P5	5	10	6	7	0	2
P6	4	9	7	8	2	0

Step 1: Connect closest pair of points. Closest pairs are:

[C1]  $d(P3, P4) = 1$ , [C2]  $d(P5, P6) = 2$ , [C3]  $d(P1, P2) = 3$

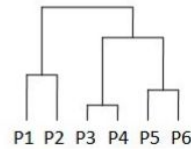
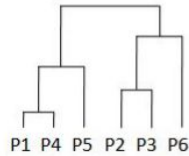
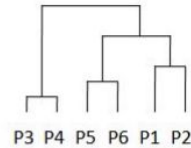
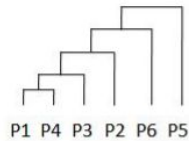
Step 2: Connect clusters with complete link. The cluster pair to combine is bolded:

$d(C3, C1) = 9$  [C4]  $d(C3, C2) = 10$   **$d(C2, C1) = 8$**

Step 3: Connect the final 2 clusters

# Question-6 - Correct answer

For the pairwise distance matrix given in the previous question, which of the following shows the hierarchy of clusters created by the complete link clustering algorithm.



	P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	P6
P1	0	3	8	9	5	4
P2	3	0	9	8	10	9
P3	8	9	0	1	6	7
P4	9	8	1	0	7	8
P5	5	10	6	7	0	2
P6	4	9	7	8	2	0

**Correct options: (d)**



**THANK YOU**

# Suggestions and Feedback



**Next Session:**

**Friday: 03-Oct-2025  
2:00 - 4:00 PM**