# Quick and Dirty Machine Learning

K-Means Algorithm

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## The Plan!

• Setup the development environment.

Theory behind K-means

K-means implementation

## Theory

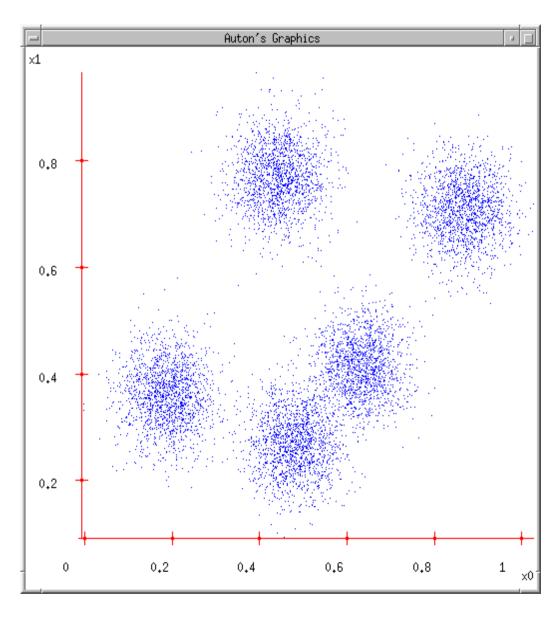
#### Definition

Given a set of observations  $(x_1, x_2, ..., x_m)$  where each observation is a d-dimensional real vector  $x_i \in \mathbb{R}^d$ , k-means clustering aims to partition the m observations into k clusters by minimizing the sum of square distance within each cluster.

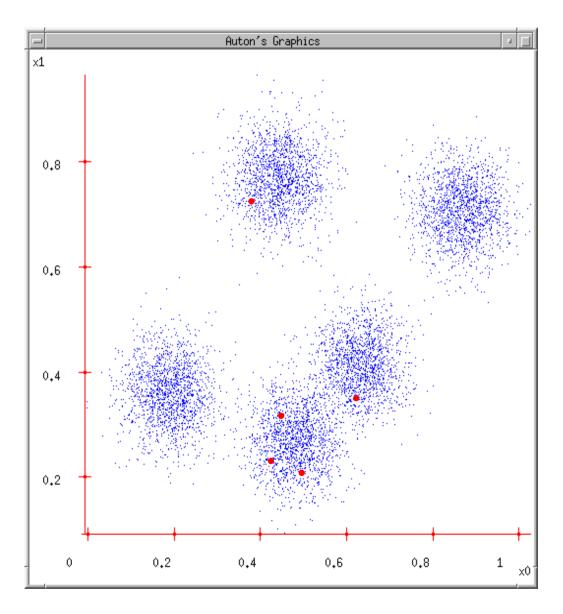
#### Algorithm

- 1. Initialize cluster centroids  $\mu_1, \mu_2, ..., \mu_k$  for  $\mu_i \in \mathbb{R}^d$  randomly.
- 2. Repeat until convergence:

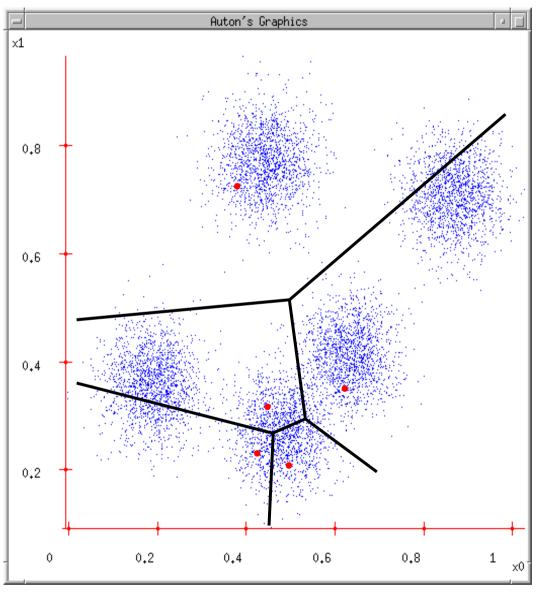
$$\begin{aligned} label_i &:= \underset{j}{arg \min} \|x_i - \mu_j\|^2 \\ \mu_j &:= \frac{\sum\limits_{i=1}^m 1\{label_i = j\}x_i}{\sum\limits_{i=1}^m 1\{label_i = j\}} \end{aligned}$$



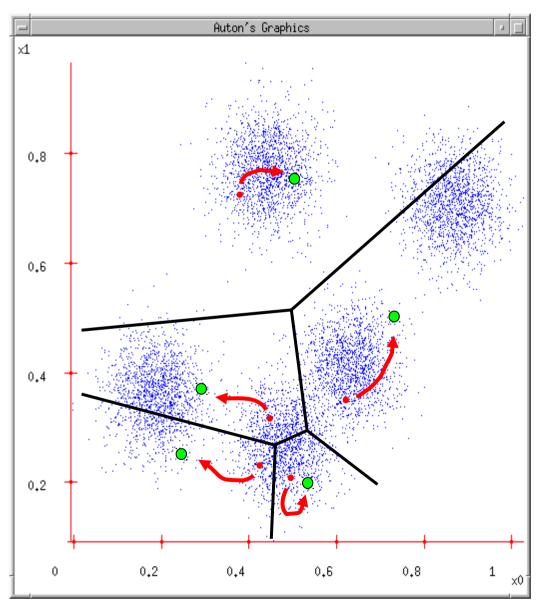
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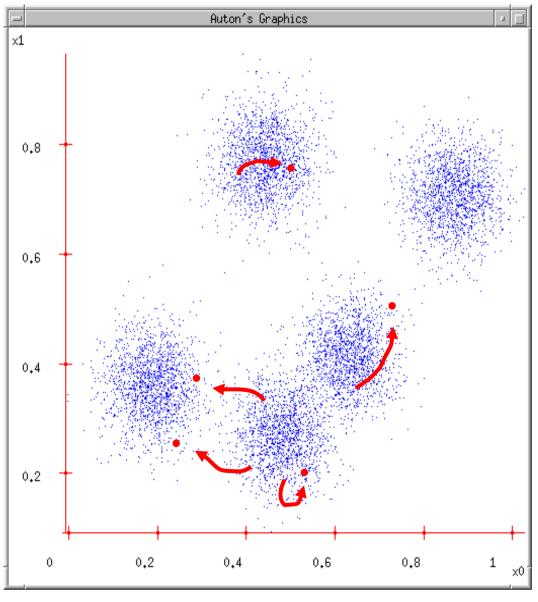
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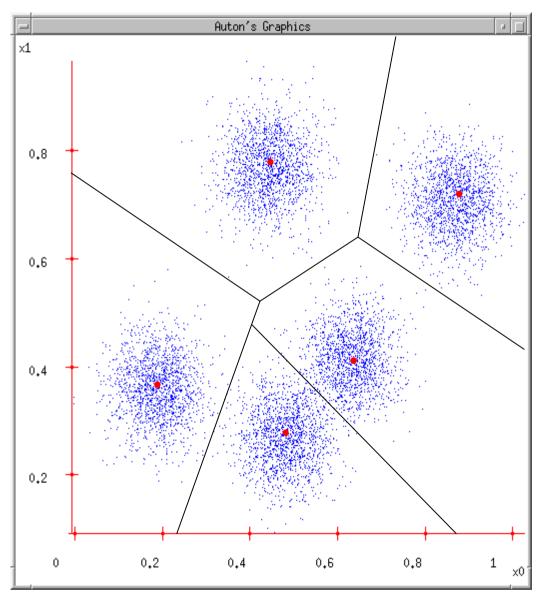
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- 6. ...Repeat until terminated!