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# Introduction

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Amazon Personalize now offers intelligent user segmentation which allows you to run more effective prospecting campaigns through your marketing channels. Traditionally, user segmentation has relied on demographic information and manually curated business rules to make assumptions about users' intentions and assign them to pre-defined audience segments. Amazon Personalize uses machine learning techniques to learn about your items, users, and how your users interact with your items. Amazon Personalize segments users based on their preferences for different products, categories, brands, and more. This can help you drive higher engagement with marketing campaigns, increase retention through targeted messaging, and improve the return on investment for your marketing spend.

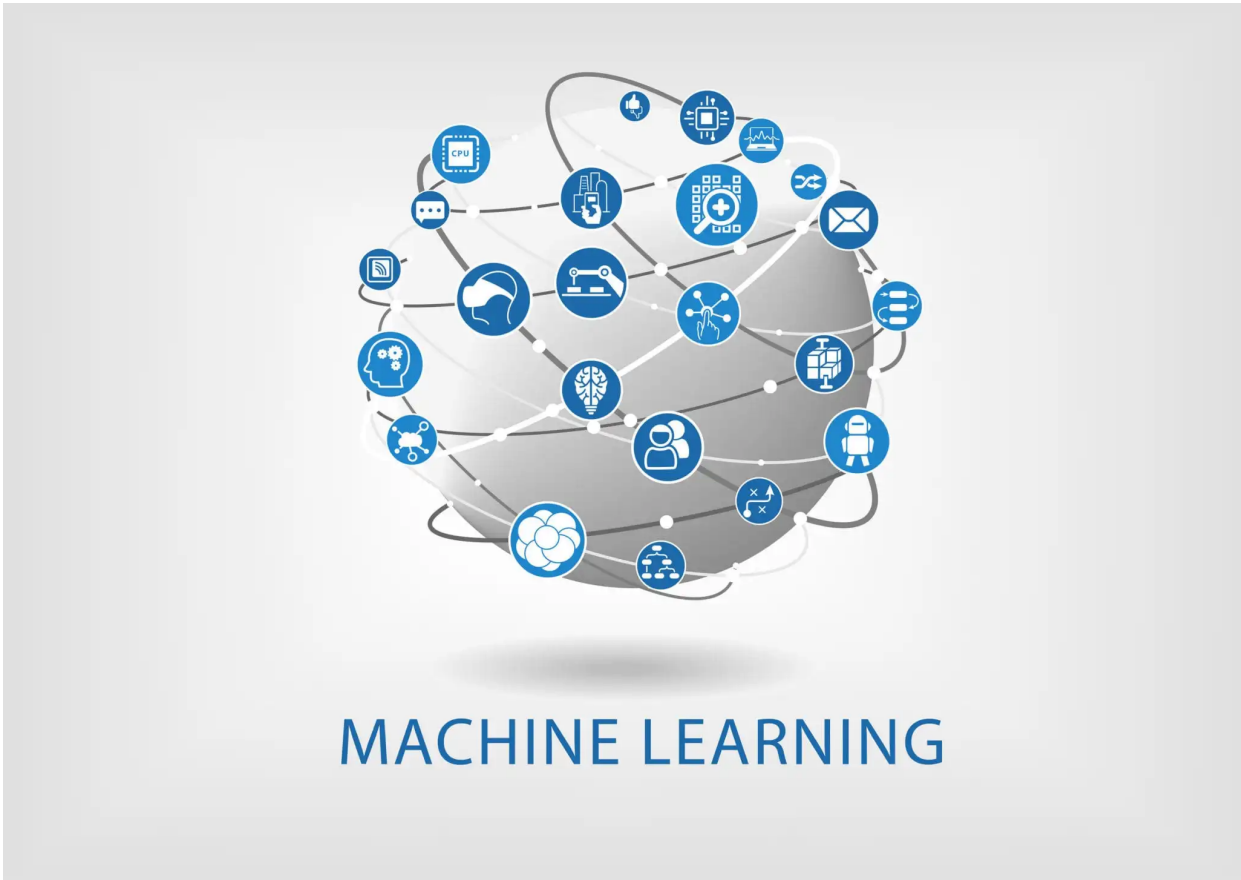
Our new recipes are simple to use. Provide Amazon Personalize with data about your items and your users' interactions and Amazon Personalize will learn your users' preferences. When given an item or item-attribute Amazon Personalize recommends a list of users sorted by their propensity to interact with the item or items that share the attribute.

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# Machine Learning & AI

**Machine Learning** is the field of study that gives computers the capability to learn without being explicitly programmed. ML is one of the most exciting technologies that one would have ever come across. As it is evident from the name, it gives the computer that makes it more similar to humans: **The ability to learn**. Machine learning is actively being used today, perhaps in many more places than one would expect.



Arthur Samuel, an early American leader in the field of computer gaming and artificial intelligence, coined the term “Machine Learning ” in 1959 while at IBM. He defined machine learning as “the field of study that gives computers the ability to learn without being explicitly programmed “. However, there is no universally accepted definition for machine learning. Different authors define the term differently.

## **Working of Virtual Personal Assistants –**

**Siri**(part of Apple Inc.'s iOS, watchOS, macOS, and tvOS operating systems), **Google Now** (a feature of Google Search offering predictive cards with information and daily updates in the Google app for Android and iOS.), **Cortana** (Cortana is a virtual assistant created by Microsoft for Windows 10) are intelligent digital personal assistants on the platforms like iOS, Android and Windows respectively. To put it plainly, they help to find relevant information when requested using voice. For instance, for answering queries like 'What's the temperature today?' or 'What is the way to the nearest supermarket' etc. and the assistant will react by searching for information, transferring that information from the phone, or sending commands to various other applications.

AI is critical in these applications, as they gather data on the user's request and utilize that data to perceive speech in a better manner and serve the user with answers that are customized to his inclination. **Microsoft says that Cortana “consistently finds out about its user” and that it will in the end build up the capacity to anticipate users' needs and cater to them.** Virtual assistants process a tremendous measure of information from an assortment of sources to find out about users and be more compelling in helping them arrange and track their data. Machine learning is a vital part of these personal assistants as they gather and refine the data based on users' past participation with them. Thereon, this arrangement of information is used to render results that are custom-made to users' inclinations.

Roughly speaking, Artificial Intelligence (AI) is when a computer algorithm does intelligent work. On the other hand, Machine Learning is a part of AI that learns from the data that also involves the information gathered from previous experiences and allows the computer program to change its behavior accordingly. **Artificial Intelligence is the superset of Machine Learning** i.e. all Machine Learning is Artificial Intelligence but not all AI.



Artificial Intelligence	Machine Learning
AI manages more comprehensive issues of automating a system. This computerization should be possible by utilizing any field such as image processing, cognitive science, neural systems, machine learning, etc.	Machine Learning (ML) manages to influence users' machines to gain from the external environment. This external environment can be sensors, electronic segments, external storage gadgets, and numerous other devices.
AI manages the making of machines, frameworks, and different gadgets savvy by enabling them to think and do errands as all people generally do.	What ML does, depends on the user input or a query requested by the client, the framework checks whether it is available in the knowledge base or not. If it is available, it will restore the outcome to the user related to that query, however, if it isn't stored initially, the machine will take in the user input and will enhance its knowledge base, to give a better value to the end-user

## Data in Machine Learning :-

It can be any unprocessed fact, value, text, sound, or picture that is not being interpreted and analyzed. Data is the most important part of all Data Analytics, Machine Learning, Artificial Intelligence. Without data, we can't train any model and all modern research and automation will go in vain. Big Enterprises are spending lots of money just to gather as much certain data as possible.

**Example:** Why did Facebook acquire WhatsApp by paying a huge price of \$19 billion?

The answer is very simple and logical – it is to have access to the users' information that Facebook may not have but

WhatsApp will have. This information of their users is of paramount importance to Facebook as it will facilitate the task of improvement in their services.

**INFORMATION:** Data that has been interpreted and manipulated and has now some meaningful inference for the users.

**KNOWLEDGE:** Combination of inferred information, experiences, learning, and insights. Results in awareness or concept building for an individual or organization.



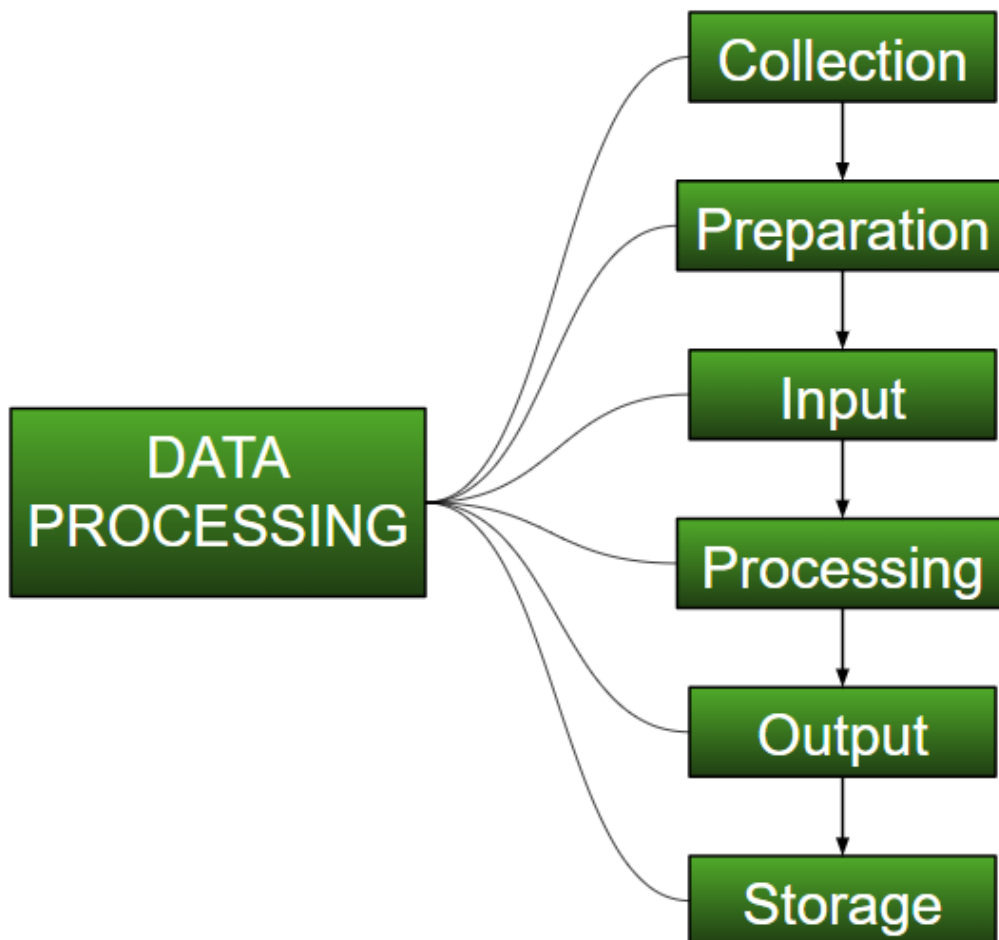
### How we split data in Machine Learning?

- **Training Data:** The part of data we use to train our model. This is the data that your model actually sees(both input and output) and learns from.
- **Validation Data:** The part of data that is used to do a frequent evaluation of the model, fit on the training dataset along with improving involved hyperparameters (initially set parameters before the model begins learning). This data plays its part when the model is actually training.
- **Testing Data:** Once our model is completely trained, testing data provides an unbiased evaluation. When we feed in the inputs of Testing data, our model will predict some values(without seeing actual output). After prediction, we evaluate our model by comparing it with the actual output present in the testing data. This is how we evaluate and see how much our model has learned from the experiences feed in as training data, set at the time of training.

# Data Pre Processing

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Data Processing is the task of converting data from a given form to a much more usable and desired form i.e. making it more meaningful and informative. Using Machine Learning algorithms, mathematical modeling, and statistical knowledge, this entire process can be automated. The output of this complete process can be in any desired form like graphs, videos, charts, tables, images, and many more, depending on the task we are performing and the requirements of the machine. This might seem to be simple but when it comes to massive organizations like Twitter, Facebook, Administrative bodies like Parliament, UNESCO, and health sector organizations, this entire process needs to be performed in a very structured manner. So, the steps to perform are as follows:



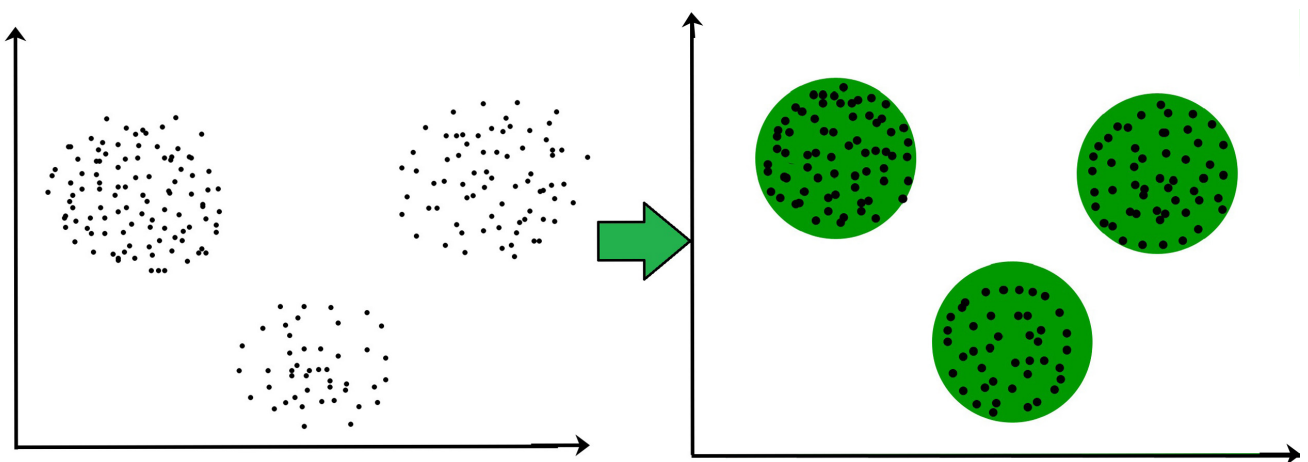
# Clustering in Machine Learning

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It is basically a type of unsupervised learning method. An unsupervised learning method is a method in which we draw references from datasets consisting of input data without labeled responses. Generally, it is used as a process to find meaningful structure, explanatory underlying processes, generative features, and groupings inherent in a set of examples.

**Clustering** is the task of dividing the population or data points into a number of groups such that data points in the same groups are more similar to other data points in the same group and dissimilar to the data points in other groups. It is basically a collection of objects on the basis of similarity and dissimilarity between them.

**For ex–** The data points in the graph below clustered together can be classified into one single group. We can distinguish the clusters, and we can identify that there are 3 clusters in the below picture.



Clustering is very much important as it determines the intrinsic grouping among the unlabelled data present. There are no criteria for good clustering. It depends on the user, what is the criteria they may use which satisfy their need.

# K - Means Clustering

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K-Means Clustering is an **Unsupervised Learning algorithm**, which groups the unlabeled dataset into different clusters. Here K defines the number of pre-defined clusters that need to be created in the process, as if  $K=2$ , there will be two clusters, and for  $K=3$ , there will be three clusters, and so on.

“ It is an iterative algorithm that divides the unlabeled dataset into k different clusters in such a way that each dataset belongs only one group that has similar properties. ”

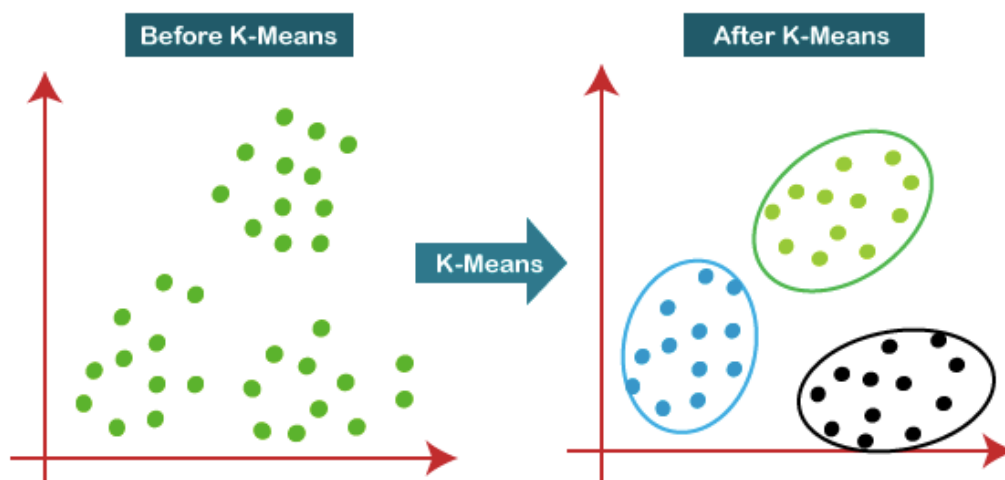
It allows us to cluster the data into different groups and a convenient way to discover the categories of groups in the unlabeled dataset on its own without the need for any training.

It is a centroid-based algorithm, where each cluster is associated with a centroid. The main aim of this algorithm is to minimize the sum of distances between the data point and their corresponding clusters.

The algorithm takes the unlabeled dataset as input, divides the dataset into k-number of clusters, and repeats the process until it does not find the best clusters. The value of k should be predetermined in this algorithm.

Hence each cluster has datapoints with some commonalities, and it is away from other clusters.

The below diagram explains the working of the K-means Clustering Algorithm:



# Elbow Method for Optimal of K in K-Means

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A fundamental step for any unsupervised algorithm is to determine the optimal number of clusters into which the data may be clustered. The **Elbow Method** is one of the most popular methods to determine this optimal value of k.

We now demonstrate the given method using the K-Means clustering technique using the **Sklearn** library of python.

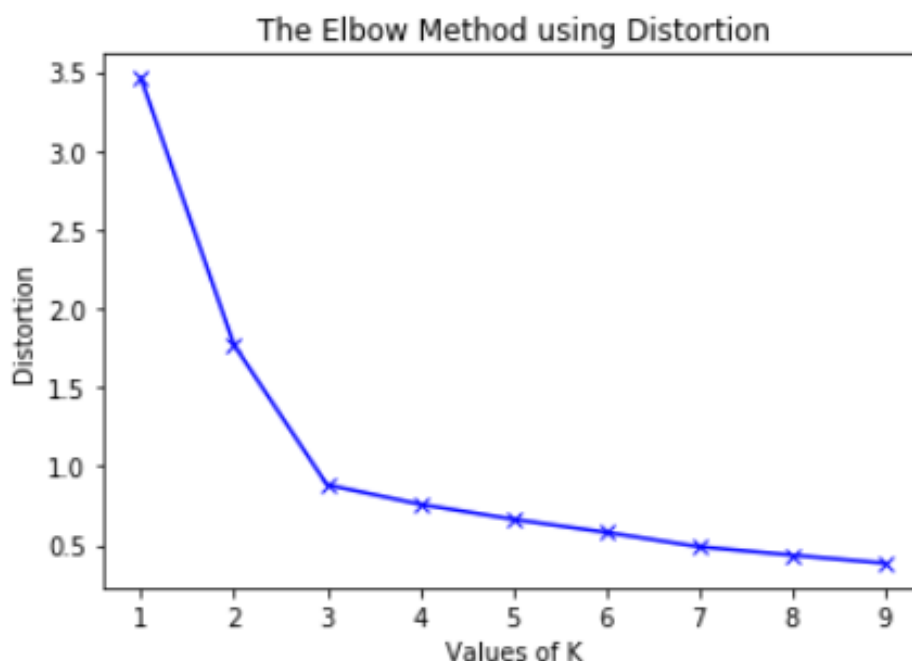
## Step 1: Importing the required libraries.

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from sklearn.cluster import KMeans
from sklearn import metrics
from scipy.spatial.distance import cdist
import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
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## Step 2: Creating and Visualizing the data.

## Step 3: Building the clustering model and calculating the values of the Distortion and Inertia.

## Step 4: Tabulating and Visualizing the results.



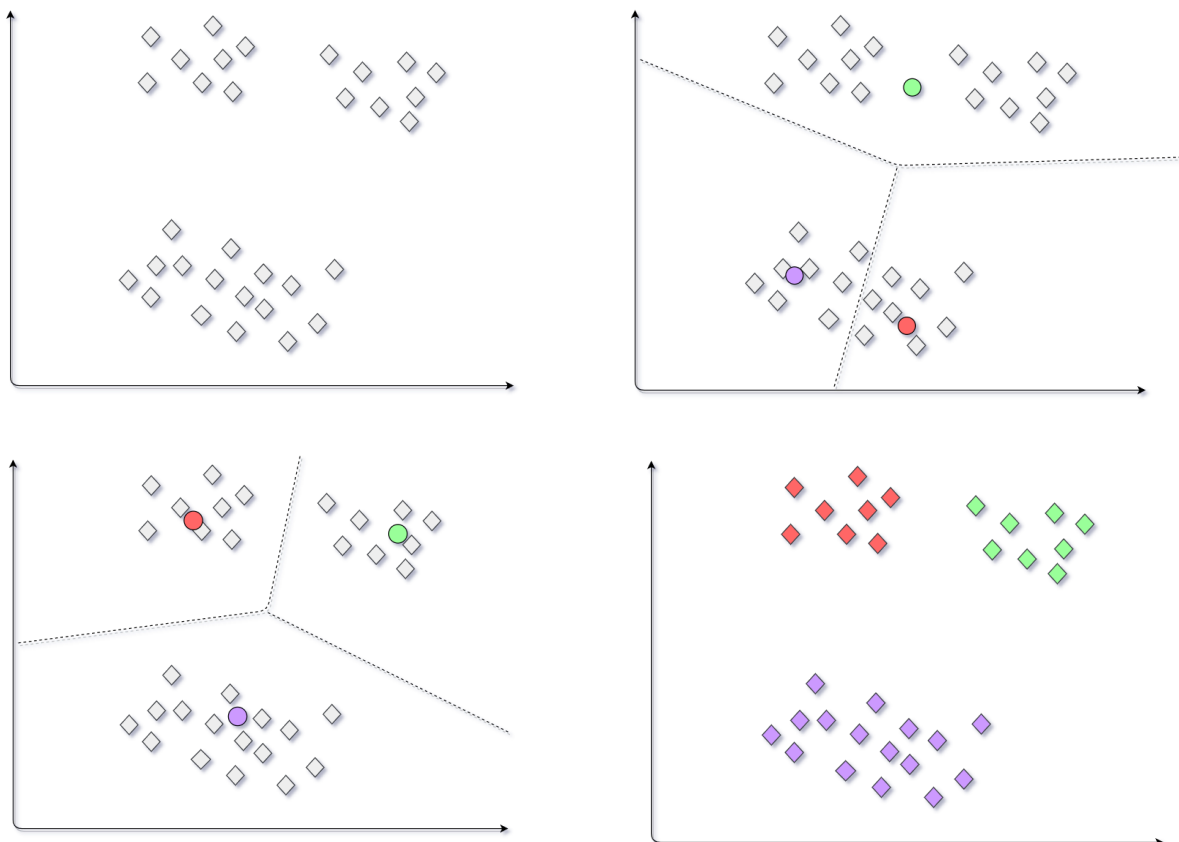
# Random Initialization Trap in k-Means

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Random initialization trap is a problem that occurs in the K-means algorithm. In random initialization trap when the centroids of the clusters to be generated are explicitly defined by the User then inconsistency may be created and this may sometimes lead to generating wrong clusters in the dataset. So random initialization trap may sometimes prevent us from developing the correct clusters.

## Example :

Suppose you have a dataset with the following points shown in the picture and you want to generate three clusters in this dataset according to their attributes by performing K-means clustering. From the figure, we can get the intuition what are the clusters that are required to be generated. K-means will perform clustering on the basis of the centroids fed into the algorithm and generate the required clusters according to these centroids.





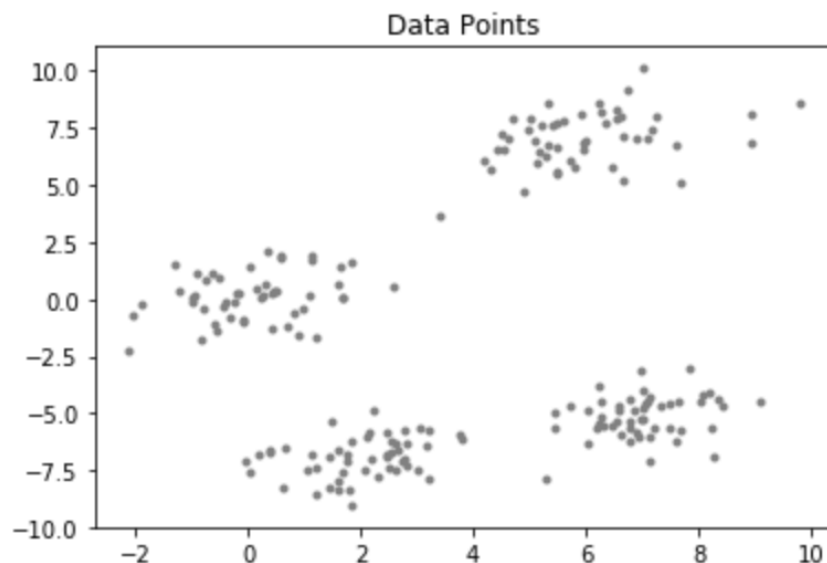
# KMeans++ Algorithm

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One disadvantage of the K-means algorithm is that it is sensitive to the initialization of the centroids or the mean points. So, if a centroid is initialized to be a “far-off” point, it might just end up with no points associated with it, and at the same time, more than one cluster might end up linked with a single centroid. Similarly, more than one centroids might be initialized into the same cluster resulting in poor clustering.

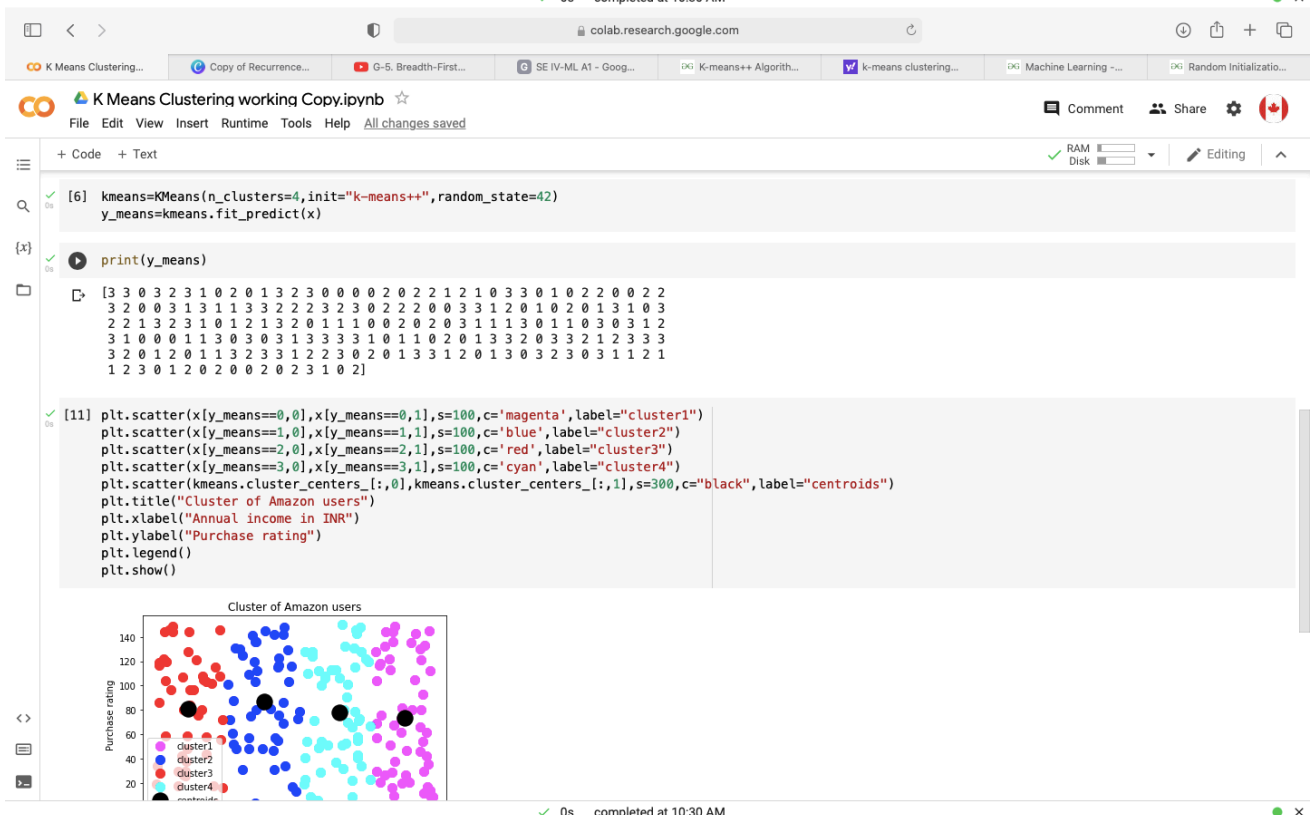
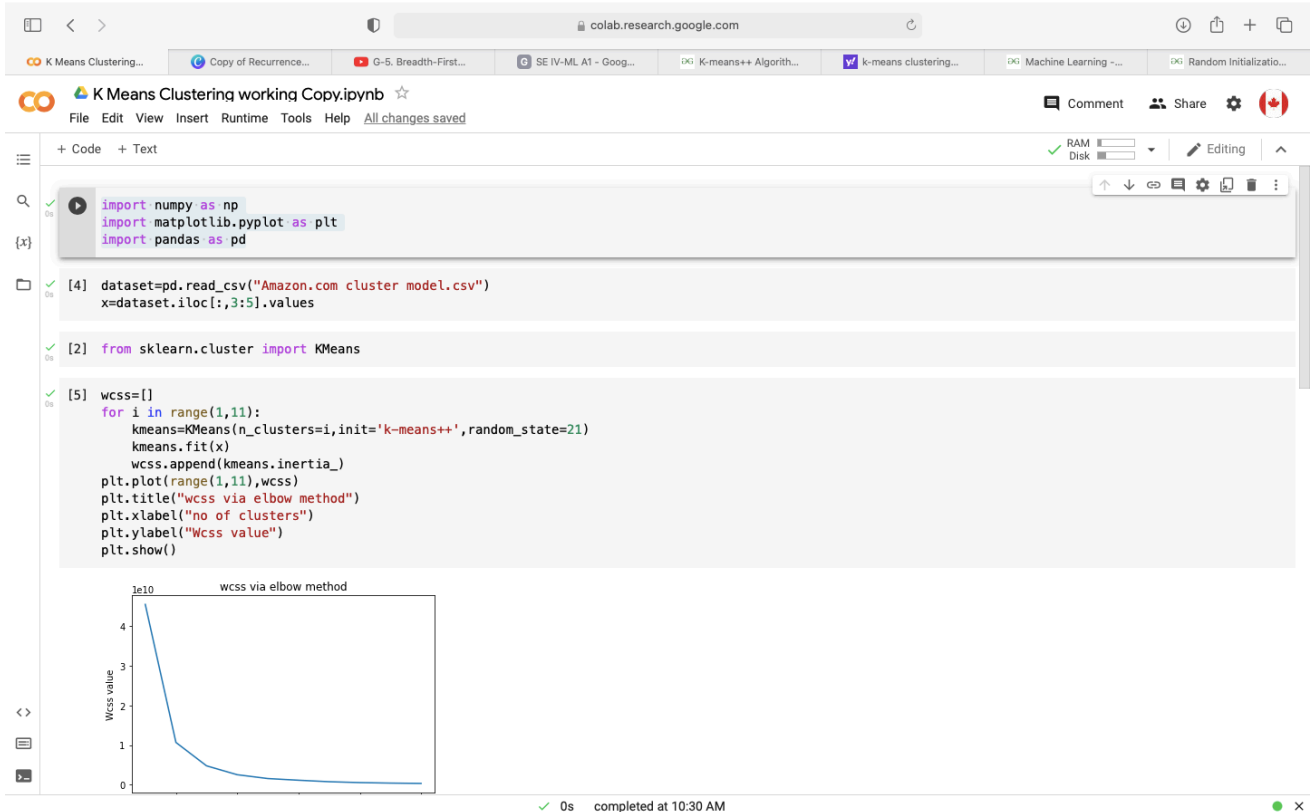
To overcome the above drawback we use K-means++. This algorithm ensures a smarter initialization of the centroids and improves the quality of the clustering. Apart from initialization, the rest of the algorithm is the same as the standard K-means algorithm. That is K-means++ is the standard K-means algorithm coupled with a smarter initialization of the centroids.

1. *Randomly select the first centroid from the data points.*
2. *For each data point compute its distance from the nearest, previously chosen centroid.*
3. *Select the next centroid from the data points such that the probability of choosing a point as centroid is directly proportional to its distance from the nearest, previously chosen centroid. (i.e. the point having maximum distance from the nearest centroid is most likely to be selected next as a centroid)*
4. *Repeat steps 2 and 3 until k centroids have been sampled*





# Project Code with Outputs



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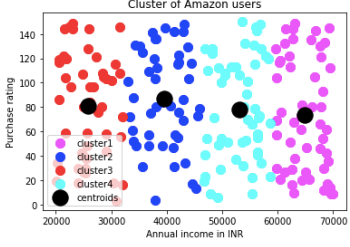
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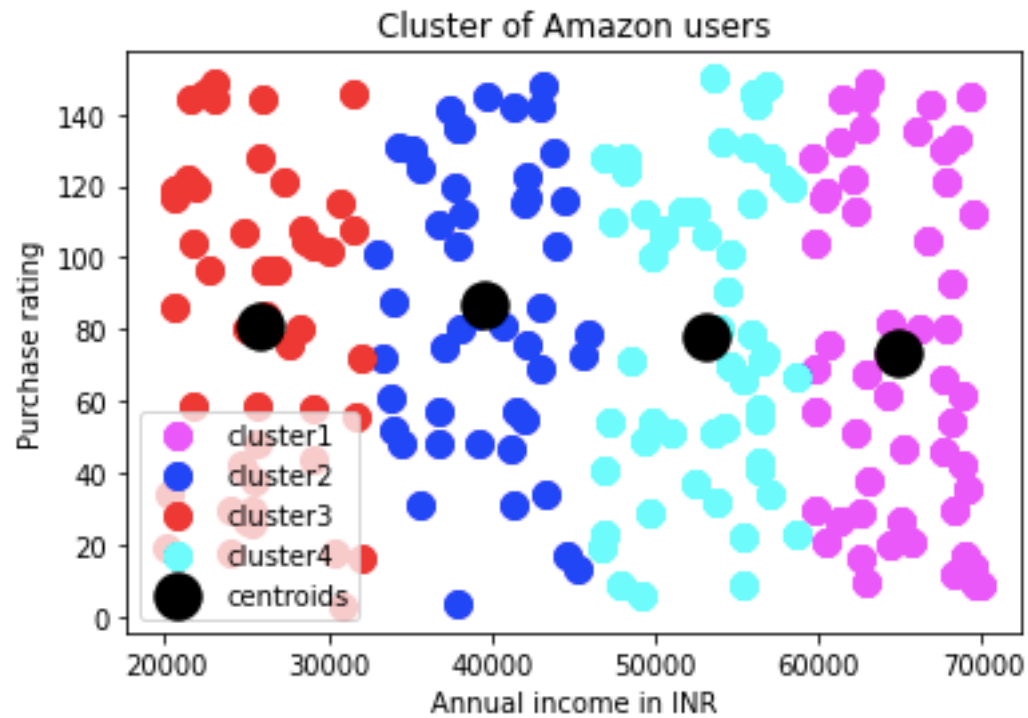
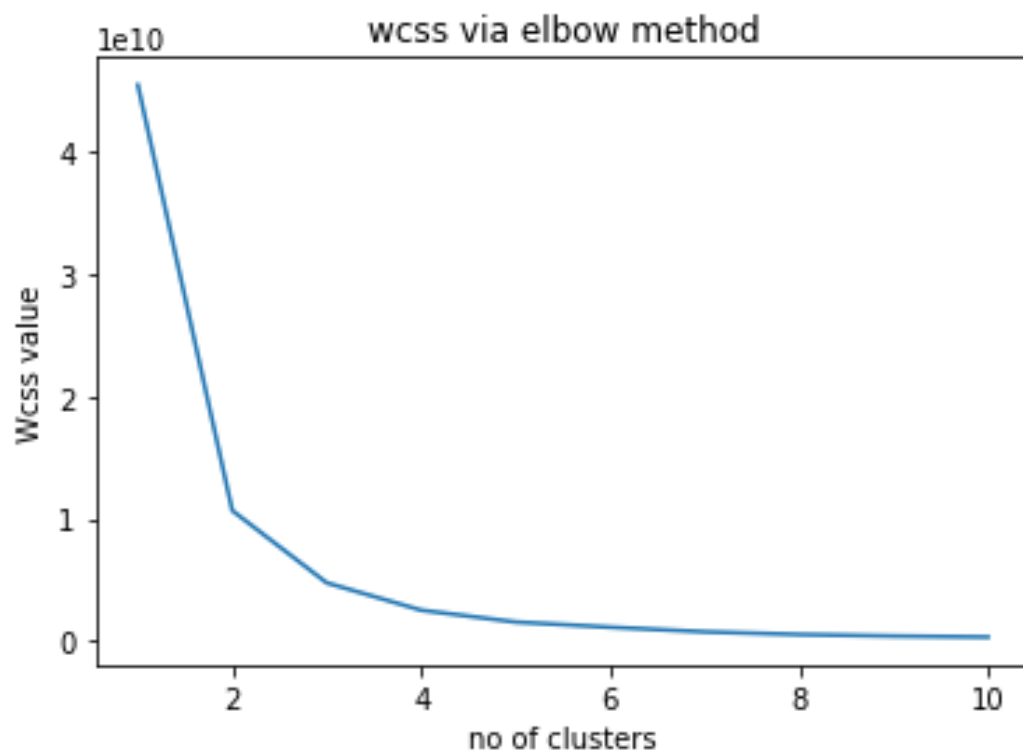
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plt.scatter(x[y_means==0],x[y_means==0,1],s=100,c='magenta',label="cluster1")
plt.scatter(x[y_means==1],x[y_means==1,1],s=100,c='blue',label="cluster2")
plt.scatter(x[y_means==2],x[y_means==2,1],s=100,c='red',label="cluster3")
plt.scatter(x[y_means==3],x[y_means==3,1],s=100,c='cyan',label="cluster4")
plt.scatter(kmeans.cluster_centers[:,0],kmeans.cluster_centers[:,1],s=300,c="black",label="centroids")
plt.title("Cluster of Amazon users")
plt.xlabel("Annual income in INR")
plt.ylabel("Purchase rating")
plt.legend()
plt.show()
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Cluster of Amazon users



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# Conclusion

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Customer segmentation simply means grouping your customers according to various characteristics (for example grouping customers by age).

It's a way for organizations to understand their customers. Knowing the differences between customer groups, it's easier to make strategic decisions regarding product growth and marketing.

**The opportunities to segment are endless and depend mainly on how much customer data you have at your use.** Starting from the basic criteria, like gender, hobby, or age, it goes all the way to things like “time spent on website X” or “time since user opened our app”.

There are different methodologies for customer segmentation, and they depend on four types of parameters:

- geographic,
- demographic,
- behavioral,
- psychological.

**Geographic** customer segmentation is very simple, it's all about the user's location. This can be implemented in various ways. You can group by country, state, city, or zip code.

**Demographic** segmentation is related to the structure, size, and movements of customers over space and time. Many companies use gender differences to create and market products. Parental status is another important feature. You can obtain data like this from customer surveys.

**Behavioral** customer segmentation is based on past observed behaviors of customers that can be used to predict future actions. For example, brands that customers purchase, or moments when they buy the most. The behavioral aspect of customer segmentation not only tries to understand reasons for purchase but also how those reasons change throughout the year.

**Psychological** segmentation of customers generally deals with things like personality traits, attitudes, or beliefs. This data is obtained using customer surveys, and it can be used to gauge customer sentiment.

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