

**MACHINE LEARNING**

**Q1 to Q11 have only one correct answer. Choose the correct option to answer your question.**

1. Movie Recommendation systems are an example of:

- i) Classification
- ii) Clustering
- iii) Regression

Options:

- a) 2 Only
- b) 1 and 2
- c) 1 and 3
- d) 2 and 3

Ans. A) 2 Only

2. Sentiment Analysis is an example of:

- i) Regression
- ii) Classification
- iii) Clustering
- iv) Reinforcement

Options:

- a) 1 Only
- b) 1 and 2
- c) 1 and 3
- d) 1, 2 and 4

Ans. D) 1, 2 and 4

3. Can decision trees be used for performing clustering?

- a) True
- b) False

Ans. A) True

4. Which of the following is the most appropriate strategy for data cleaning before performing clustering analysis, given less than desirable number of data points:

- i) Capping and flooring of variables
- ii) Removal of outliers

Options:

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) 1 and 2
- d) None of the above

Ans. A) 1 Only

5. What is the minimum no. of variables/ features required to perform clustering?

- a) 0
- b) 1
- c) 2
- d) 3

Ans. B) 1

6. For two runs of K-Mean clustering is it expected to get same clustering results?

- a) Yes
- b) No

Ans. B) No

7. Is it possible that Assignment of observations to clusters does not change between successive iterations in K-Means?

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- a) Yes
- b) No
- c) Can't say
- d) None of these

Ans. A) Yes

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8. Which of the following can act as possible termination conditions in K-Means?
- i) For a fixed number of iterations.
  - ii) Assignment of observations to clusters does not change between iterations. Except for cases with a bad local minimum.
  - iii) Centroids do not change between successive iterations.
  - iv) Terminate when RSS falls below a threshold.

Options:

- a) 1, 3 and 4
- b) 1, 2 and 3
- c) 1, 2 and 4
- d) All of the above

Ans. D) All of the above

9. Which of the following algorithms is most sensitive to outliers?

- a) K-means clustering algorithm
- b) K-medians clustering algorithm
- c) K-modes clustering algorithm
- d) K-medoids clustering algorithm

Ans. A) K-means clustering algorithm

10. How can Clustering (Unsupervised Learning) be used to improve the accuracy of Linear Regression model (Supervised Learning):

- i) Creating different models for different cluster groups.
- ii) Creating an input feature for cluster ids as an ordinal variable.
- iii) Creating an input feature for cluster centroids as a continuous variable.
- iv) Creating an input feature for cluster size as a continuous variable.

Options:

- a) 1 only
- b) 2 only
- c) 3 and 4
- d) All of the above

Ans. D) All of the above

11. What could be the possible reason(s) for producing two different dendrograms using agglomerative clustering algorithms for the same dataset?

- a) Proximity function used
- b) of data points used
- c) of variables used
- d) All of the above

Ans. D) All of the above

Q12 to Q14 are subjective answers type questions, Answers them in their own words briefly

- 12. Is K sensitive to outliers?
  - 13. Why is K means better?
  - 14. Is K means a deterministic algorithm?
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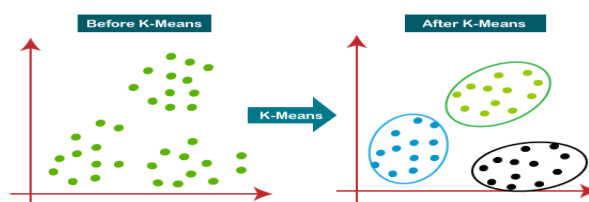
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12. Is K sensitive to outliers?

**Ans.** The K-means clustering algorithm is sensitive to outliers, because a mean is easily influenced by extreme values. K-medoids clustering is a variant of K-means that is more robust to noises and outliers., because a mean is easily influenced by extreme values. K-medoids clustering is a variant of K-means that is more robust to noises and outliers.

13. Why is K means better?

**Ans.** K means is better because 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.



14. Is K means a deterministic algorithm?

**Ans.** The basic k-means clustering is based on a non-deterministic algorithm. This means that running the algorithm several times on the same data, could give different results. k-means is a partitioning-based clustering algorithm. k-means method for clustering is an iterative process in which an initial partition of given k clusters is then improved by applying a search algorithm to the data. Simplifying, given a pre-defined number (k) of clusters, the algorithm:

- begins with an initial set of k cluster centers (i.e. the centroids)

- (re)assigns objects to the closest centroids

- recalculates centroids according to new memberships of the data points.

- repeats the last two steps until a consistent result is found or until the maximum number of iterations is reached.