Week 10 - Clustering

Exercises

Question 1.

This question asks you to manually perform K-means clustering manually, with K=2, on a small sample, n=6, and p=2 features.

	x_1	x_2
Obs.		
0	1	4
1	1	3
2	0	4
3	5	1
4	6	2
5	4	0

- a. Plot the observations
- ► Click here for answer
- b. Randomly assign a cluster label to each observation. In Python you can use np.random.randint . Report the cluster labels for each observation.

- ► Click here for answer
- c. Compute the centroid for each cluster.
- ► Click here for answer
- d. Assign each observation to the centroid to which it is closest, in terms of Euclidean distance. Report the cluster labels for each observation.
- ► Click here for answer
- e. Find where the k-means cluster centers (e.g. where questions (c) and (d) stops changing), then color your plot according to these cluster labels.
- ► Click here for answer

Question 2.

Describe two techniques to help select the number of clusters when using K-Means.

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Question 3.

Suppose we have a dissimilarity matrix as follows:

$$egin{array}{ccccc} 0.3 & 0.4 & 0.7 \ 0.3 & 0.5 & 0.8 \ 0.4 & 0.5 & 0.45 \ 0.7 & 0.8 & 0.45 \ \end{array}$$

This means the dissimilarity between the first and second observation is 0.3, second and fourth is 0.8 ect.

- a. Sketch or code a diagram that results from hierarchically clustering these four observations using **complete** linkage.
- ► Click here for answer
- b. Suppose we cut the dendogram from question (a) such that two there are two clusters, which observations are in which cluster?
- ► Click here for answer
- c. Sketch or code a diagram that results from hierarchically clustering these four observations using **single** linkage.
- ► Click here for answer
- d. Suppose we cut the dendogram from question (c) such that two there are two clusters, which observations are in which cluster?
- ► Click here for answer

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