

k-means on Spark

This problem requires you to implement the k-means algorithm on Spark. The input is a set \mathcal{X} of n data points in the d -dimensional space $R \in d$, the given number of clusters k , and the set of k initial centroids \mathcal{C} . The distance between any two points is computed using the Euclidean distance.

The corresponding cost function Φ that is minimized when we assign points to clusters using the Euclidean distance metric is given by:

$$\Phi = \sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}} \min_{c \in \mathcal{C}} \|x - c\|^2$$

Task. Implement the k-means algorithm using Spark. In this task, we use $k = 10$. Please use *data.txt* as the data points and *centroid.txt* as the initial centroids.

- *data.txt* contains the dataset with 1000 rows (i.e., $n = 1000$) and 20 columns (i.e., $d = 20$).
- *centroid.txt* contains 10 initial cluster centroids.

For the convergence condition, you can either set the number of iterations to 20 or use a threshold 0.01.

Run the k-means on *data.txt* and *centroid.txt*. Generate a graph where you plot the cost function as a function of the number of iterations.

What to submit

1. The source code (.java or .py files).
2. The plot of cost vs. iteration.