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## Math Behind Fuzzy C-Means (FCM)

Fuzzy C-Means (FCM) is a clustering algorithm that is similar to K-Means but with a key difference: **instead of assigning each point to a single cluster, each data point belongs to every cluster with a certain degree of membership**. This allows data points to be partially assigned to multiple clusters, making it a more flexible clustering technique.

## **Steps in the Fuzzy C-Means Algorithm:**

## 1. Initialization:

- Choose K (the number of clusters).
- Initialize a **membership matrix** U of size n × K, where n is the number of data points and K is the number of clusters. This matrix contains values between 0 and 1, and each entry represents the membership degree of a data point to a cluster. The sum of each row should equal 1.

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## 4. Repeat:

Repeat the update of centroids and membership matrix until convergence,
i.e., when the membership matrix stops changing significantly.

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