Unsupervised Learning - K-means Cluster Analysis Video Game Sales

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1.1 Introduction

This analysis is applied on the Video Games Sales dataset retrieved from https://www.kaggle.com/rush4ratio/video-game-sales-with-ratings. Video games has always been a major interest of millions of people around the world and before every purchases many people would go to popular review sites to evaluate whether a video game is worth buying. However, if you were to make and sell video game, are critic scores important to how well your game sells? Can be be successful with low ratings since there are times where critics don't always agree with users? We will be visualizing the clusters of corresponding scores and sales.

1.2 Hypothesis

I believe that video games with similar global sales have rating characteristics, especially how sometimes users and critics disagree with a game's rating, in common so I decide to analyze it using K-means to see if the data in the clusters have coherent relationships and reveal their similarities of the range of their attributes in scores and sales.

1.3 Data preparation

	NA_Sales	EU_Sales	JP_Sales	Other_Sales	Global_Sales	Critic_Score	Critic_Count	User_Score	User_Count	Developer	÷
	0.06	0.07	0.34	0.01	0.48	NA	NA		NA		
	0.40	0.02	0.00	0.07	0.48	56	18	6.1	9	Amaze Entertainment	
	0.35	0.13	0.00	0.01	0.48	NA	NA	tbd	NA	Vicarious Visions	
	0.35	0.13	0.00	0.01	0.48	62	4	7.8	8	Pocketeers	
ent	0.00	0.00	0.45	0.03	0.48	NA	NA		NA		
	0.01	0.45	0.00	0.03	0.48	85	34	5.8	1345	Ubisoft Montreal	
	0.36	0.11	0.00	0,02	0.48	78	44	6.5	11	EA Tiburon	
	0.45	0.03	0.00	0.01	0.48	NA	NA		NA		

Transformation, Cleansing, and Selection:

The data is in acceptable format, however it is quite dirty. There are fields with blank values, NA values, and the numbers are actually characters. The User_Score column have "tbd" string inside which will not do in our analysis. We will begin cleansing this data and extract our three variables of interest for clustering.

_	Critic_Score	User_Score **	Global_Sales
6409	47	5.7	0.27
6410	59	6.7	0.27
6411	NA	tbd	0.27
6412	45	6.1	0.27
6413	NA		0.27
6414	69	7.3	0.27
6415	NA		0.27
6416	NA		0.27
6417	87	8.2	0.27

_	Critic_Score	User_Score	Global_Sales	
1	76	79	82.53	
2	82	82	35.52	
3	80	79	32.77	
4	89	84	29.80	
5	58	65	28.92	
6	87	83	28.32	
7	91	85	23.21	
8	80	76	22.70	
9	61	62		
10	80	73	21.79	

Script

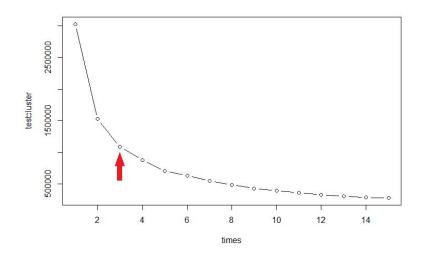
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extracted<-data%>%select(Critic_Score,User_Score,Global_Sales)
extracted2<-extracted[complete.cases(extracted[ ,1:3]),]
extracted3<-extracted2%>%filter(User_Score!="tbd")
extracted4<-extracted3%>%
mutate(Critic_Score=as.numeric(Critic_Score),User_Score=as.numeric(User_Score),Global_Sales=as.numeric(Global_Sales))
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By running the above script, the NA values are omitted and we have selected the two variables of interest which resulted in the data extracted, the characters are now converted to numbers, clean data is created in a form of extracted that is now ready for clustering.

1.4 Results

How many clusters should it be?

Firstly, in order to proceed with the K-means algorithm, the optimal number of clusters must be determined before proceeding. The method which shall be used is by graphing the deviation of total squared distance between each clusters. We would want to choose the marginal value of cluster in which the next decrease in the squared distance is negligible.



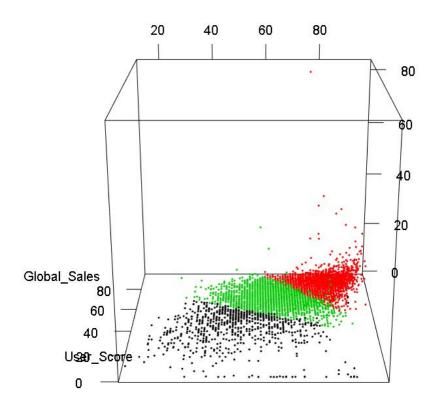
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Script
testcluster<-sapply(times,function(k){
  cl<-kmeans(extracted4,k,25)
   cl$tot.withinss
})
plot(times, testcluster, type="b")</pre>
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With the graph, we can now see that the optimal number of clusters is 3 since further decreases are too little to be significant.

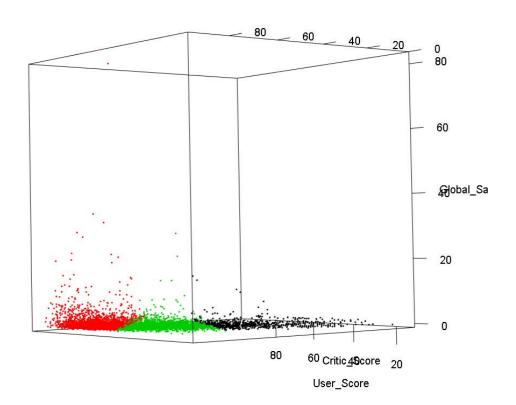
Raw results and visualization

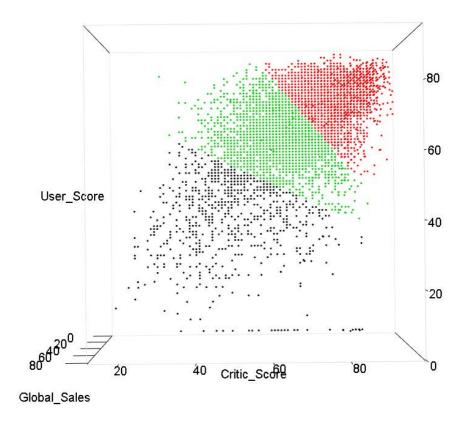
Knowing the number of optimal clusters, we now use the K-means algorithm on the data. The result is repeated 25 times for accuracy which resulted in the following:

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K-means clustering with 3 clusters of sizes 825, 3510, 2720
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Script
cl<-kmeans(extracted4,3,25)
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Critic_Score





Script
library(rgl)
plot3d(extracted4,col=cl\$cluster)

Summary

From the visualization, where x=Critic_Score, y=User_Score, and z=Global_Sales(millions), the clusters can be grouped into the following categories:

- 1) Red : High critic score High user score High global sales
- 2) Green: Medium critic score Medium user score Medium global sales
- 3) Black: Low critic score Low user score Low global sales

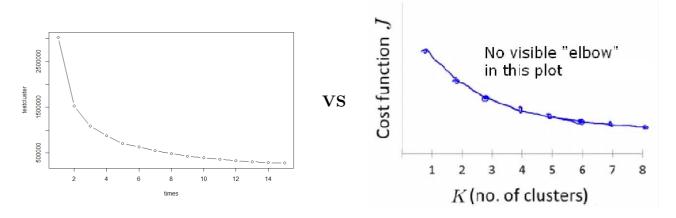
It turns out there are no clusters that would reveal special insights into games with characteristics such as low critic score and lower user score with high sales. The relationship of the clusters turns out to be linear. There are outliers in that regard but it appears to be too little to be significant to be another cluster. Unsurprisingly, video games with high scores have the most variation of sales since that is what most people tend to buy. Category 1 games may potentially be games that are created by hobbyists and independent developers though decent budget games can also fall here which might explain outliers. I can now classify category 1 games as ending at the range of 0-80 critic rating scores and 0-60 user scores with least amount of variation in sales. In category 2, the critic score remains in the same range as category 1, however the difference is in user score where the range is now from 40-90 with slight increase in average sales. where there are high rating, it appears that the deciding factor which makes a game category 2 is the user ratings.

Despite higher overall rating, category 2 which have slightly better sales, is lot denser which means that this seems to be the standard category of average-performing games. Category 2 are most likely games from independent developers that have little exposure and games with standard production values. As for the high score categories, those that have high global sales are quite sparse. Category 3 are games with upwards of 4 million sales with more the highest user rating ranges and minimum critic scores. It is most likely that category 3 games are most likely big-budget video games with high market exposure and high production values with exceptional game play that are worldwide hits. The clusters reveal that there exist common relationship between game global sales and review scores. As a matter of fact, similar games with high user scores are ones that can achieve high global sales. The cluster allows me to derive the various cutoff point for each category for each parameters such as realizing that user scores appears to be the deciding factor for the market performance of games. Many of the games do share similar characteristic in rating and sales which explains their success.

1.5 Measuring and Results Discussion

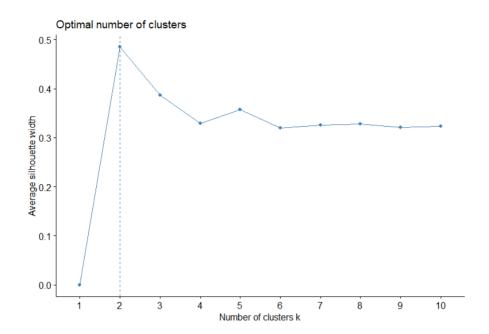
Model evaluation and success/failure discussion

K-means perform fairly well on this task and clusters than I expected for a linear relationship. However I was hoping to find abnormal clusters, but it created partitioning for categories which allowed me to clearly see the differences of the parameters between those cluster than just normal scatter plots. I initially categorized the data points as just 3 groups by looking at it. In terms of clusters, the elbows have visible distinctions and are not smooth parabolic.



The groupings provided are also quite logical because algorithm successfully broke down each level(low,medium,high) of sales and scores to fit each groups. However, it appears that Category 3 are not tightly clustered together and have very large gaps compared to category 1 and 2.

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Script
fviz_nbclust(extracted4, FUNcluster = kmeans, method = "silhouette")

This method argues that 2 clusters are optimal for this dataset since the silhouette method would select cluster composition with the highest silhouette width. However, 2 clusters would not reveal any significant insight so I believe that 3 clusters is the minimum I'm using.

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> dunn1
[1] 0.01155253
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Script

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dunn1 <- dunn(clusters = cl$cluster, Data=extracted2)
stats<-cls.scatt.data(extracted4,cl$cluster, dist="euclidean")
stats$intracls.complete
stats$intercls.centroid
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The dunn index is quite low which is bad since its one of the indicator for cluster quality. The inter-distance between cluster centroids are also relatively close to each other while there is a large intra-distance of up to 86.5 between the two most remote objects of the cluster, which is bad since clusters should be distinct from each other. The extreme proximity of clusters in this model means that there the dividing line or the gap in which to group each dataset is so small meaning that values are too similar to each other between categories.

The proximity of values means that changes in the algorithm could cause drastic shift in data point between categories which can cause inaccuracy in repeated testing. The large intra distance means that data point can be very extreme from each other indicating high diameter variability when it should be minimized. More variability means the value ranges are nonstandard and dissimilar data are forcibly clustered. Clusters should be homogeneous to each other, meaning that the more uniform the overall size of each cluster, the more similarity those data points the data have. The grouping of the data points are acceptable, however many of the data might be too close to each other and too uniform in general which makes the existence of cluster hard to identify for the clustering model.

Full Script

```
library(factoextra)
library(clValid)
library(tidyverse)
library(clv)
data<-read.csv("Video_Games_Sales_as_at_22_Dec_2016.csv")
extracted<-data%>%select(Critic Score, User Score, Global Sales)
extracted2<-extracted[complete.cases(extracted[,1:3]),]
extracted3<-extracted2%>%filter(User Score!="tbd")
extracted4<-extracted3%>%
mutate(Critic Score=as.numeric(Critic Score), User Score=as.numeric(User Score), Global
 Sales=as.numeric(Global Sales))
times < -1:15
testcluster <- sapply (times, function (k) {
cl<-kmeans(extracted4,k,25)
cl$tot.withinss
})
plot3d(extracted4,col=cl$cluster)
fviz nbclust(extracted4, FUNcluster = kmeans, method = "silhouette")
dunn1 <- dunn(clusters = cl\u00a8cluster, Data=extracted4)
stats<-cls.scatt.data(extracted4,cl$cluster, dist="euclidean")
stats$intracls.complete
stats$intercls.centroid
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Supervised Learning - K-Nearest Neighbors Classification Analysis

Red Wine Quality

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2.1 Introduction

This analysis is applied on the Red Wine Quality dataset retrieved from https://www.kaggle.com/uciml/red-wine-quality-cortez-et-al-2009. Among all alcoholic beverages, I have found myself to fancy wine, in particular red wine. It tastes better than beer or vodka, plus its pretty elegant. Since there are so many types of red wine in the world, all with varying compositions, I have decided that finding a way to classify wine quality would be interesting. Specifically, I am interested in the relationship between the acidity of wine and its quality since it is believed that wines with high acidity "taste crispier and more tart" and might age better according to tradition.

2.2 Hypothesis

I believe that acidity affects the quality of wines. Perhaps the model associate higher acidity would result in better quality of wine. Thus, I will create a classifier to predict the quality of wine from its acid values.

2.3 Data preparation

•	fixed.acidity	volatile.acidity	citric.acid	residual.sugar	chlorides	free.sulfur.dioxide	total.sulfur.dioxide	density	pH	sulphates	alcohol	quality
1	7.4	0.700	0.00	1.90	0.076	11	34	0.9978	3.51	0.56	9,4	5
2	7.8	0.880	0.00	2.60	0.098	25	67	0.9968	3.20	0.68	9.8	5
3	7.8	0.760	0.04	2.30	0.092	15	54	0.9970	3.26	0.65	9.8	5
4	11.2	0.280	0.56	1.90	0.075	17	60	0.9980	3.16	0.58	9.8	6
5	7.4	0.700	0.00	1.90	0.076	11	34	0.9978	3.51	0.56	9.4	5
6	7.4	0.660	0.00	1.80	0.075	13	40	0.9978	3.51	0.56	9.4	5
7	7.9	0.600	0.06	1.60	0.069	15	59	0.9964	3.30	0.46	9.4	5
8	7.3	0.650	0.00	1.20	0.065	15	21	0.9946	3.39	0.47	10.0	7
9	7.8	0.580	0.02	2.00	0.073	9	18	0.9968	3.36	0.57	9.5	7

Transformation and Selection:

The retrieved data is structured in a tidy format that is ready clustering. However, we will be selecting specific features: fixed acidity, volatile acidity, citric acid, pH as the values for training and testing. The label that we will be using in this case would be quality(1-10) from least to excellent.

_	fixed.acidity +	volatile.acidity *	citric.acid [‡]	pH [‡]	quality
1	7.4	0.700	0.00	3.51	5
2	7.8	0.880	0.00	3.20	5
3	7.8	0.760	0.04	3.26	5
4	11.2	0.280	0.56	3.16	6
5	7.4	0.700	0.00	3.51	5
6	7.4	0.660	0.00	3.51	5
7	7.9	0.600	0.06	3.30	5

Script

```
data2<-data%>%select(fixed.acidity,volatile.acidity,citric.acid,pH,quality)
data2<-data2%>%filter(!is.na(fixed.acidity),!is.na(volatile.acidity),!is.na(citric.acid),!
is.na(pH))
```

None of the values in this dataset appears to be missing. The data have been converted to a form that is now ready to be trained.

Data Allocation:

The next step is to allocate data for the KNN algorithm with parts of the dataset. The ratio of training and testing that we will be using in this analysis is 80:20. Of the 1599 data points 1279 randomly selected data will be the training set and the other 320 data points shall be used for model validation. I have partitioned the non-repeating data indexes for use in the algorithm as shown below.

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set.seed(666)
split=0.8
training<-sample(nrow(data2),size=split*nrow(data2),replace=FALSE)
testing <- setdiff(seq_len(nrow(data2)), training)
trainsort<-sort(training)
testsort<-sort(testing)
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2.4 Results

Raw results and visualization

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Script
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result < -knn(data2[training, -5], data2[testing, -5], data2\$quality[training])

This is the raw result of the prediction the KNN classifier made for the test dataset. Now we compare the predicted quality to the actual quality of the testing set.

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> comparison<-result==data2$quality[testing]</p>
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  sum(comparison)
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Script
comparison<-result==data2$quality[testing]
sum(comparison)
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> mean(comparison)
[1] 0.59375
>
```

Summary

The result shows that the classifier is only around 60% accurate, only 190 correct guesses out of 320, which is to say that there is slightly more than half chance of the algorithm correctly classifying the wine from its various acidity levels to the quality.

Future prediction could be a hit-or-miss and perhaps there are other attributes which could help to improve its accuracy. But since this analysis is concerned about the liquidity itself the interpretation is that this figure could represent the relationship between the relevance of acidity to wine quality which would result in the verdict of being a somewhat significant factor of determining wine quality. Yet, the prediction based on acidities alone is not good enough to be reliable.

However to test out my assumption that high acidity affect wine quality, I created another fictional dataset with values that are high and low values of acidity and standardize pH levels to test out the classifier with the original training and testing set

```
Script \\ volatile.acidity <-c(0.76,0.88,0.2,0.11) \\ fixed.acidity <-c(10.1,11.6,3.2,2.1) \\ citric.acid <-c(0.99,0.71,0.01,0.3) \\ pH <-c(3.01,3.04,3.11,3.21) \\ data3 <-data.frame(fixed.acidity,volatile.acidity,citric.acid,pH) \\ result2 <-knn(data2[training,-5],data3,data2$quality[training])
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> result2
[1] 7 6 4 4
Levels: 3 4 5 6 7 8
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It would appear that the first two values with high acid levels are classified as having quite more quality than the following two values which were assigned low acidity value.

2.5 Measuring and Results Discussion

Model evaluation and success/failure discussion

In evaluation of the analysis model that was created firstly the most apparent measure that will be used is the error and accuracy rating of the model.

```
> data2[testing,] 9
# A tibble: 6 x 2
  quality count
                          > summary(comparison)
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Script data2[testing,] %>%group_by(quality)%>%summarise(count=n()) summary(comparison)

Accuracy: 59.375% **Error**: 40.625%

The model is not terrible but it is not good either. There is a very large 40% chance for the model to fail which is almost half of the time. It could possibly be fine tuned to improve further.

```
> split=0.9
> training<-sample(nrow(data2),size=split*nrow(data2),replace=FALSE)
> testing<-setdiff(seq_len(nrow(data2)),training)
> result<-knn(data2[training,-5],data2[testing,-5],data2$quality[training])
> comparison<-result==data2$quality[testing]
> sum(comparison)
[1] 96
```

I reapplied the dataset to KNN with a 90% training set this time. However it turns out that the algorithm the result is still similar providing an accuracy of 60.37%(96/159). It would appears that this is the limit of what the algorithm can achieve with acid values. Inclusion of other parameters would be necessary to improve the model's accuracy further.

The next measure of evaluation is through the confusion matrix in terms of accuracy, precision, and recall.

```
> confusionMatrix(result22,ref)
Confusion Matrix and Statistics
        Reference
Prediction 3 4
         1 0 3 1 0 0
0 1 97 44 5 0
         0 6 30 76 11 1
              8 14 17
Overall Statistics
             Accuracy: 0.5938
              95% CI: (0.5377, 0.648)
   No Information Rate : 0.4344
P-Value [Acc > NIR] : 7.361e-09
               Kappa: 0.3457
Mcnemar's Test P-Value : NA
     > conf$byClass
               Sensitivity Precision
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     class: 3
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     class: 4
     class: 5
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     class: 6
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     class: 7
                  0.5151515 0.4146341 0.5151515 0.7157639
     class: 8
                  0.0000000 0.0000000 0.0000000 0.4968652
```

Script
ibrary(caret)
ref<-as.factor(data2\$quality[testing])
result22<-as.factor(result)
confusionMatrix(result22,ref)
conf<-confusionMatrix(result22,ref)
conf\$byClass

In general the key performance indicator values of this models appears to be more accurate at quality 5 and 6 wine where there are many training datasets available. Quality 3,4, and 8 wines have only have accuracy statistics due to the lack of sample. The accuracy measures the chances of the wine quality being identified for each quality level.

Precision

Precision measures the accuracy true positive against false positive among the predicted positive values. It would appear that quality 5 and 6 wine have around 40% chances of false positives while quality 7 have up to 60% false positives. The false percentages of each class mean that these are the chances that other wines qualities are wrongly categories into the current category. Quality 5 and 6 wine appears to have the least chance of wrong wine quality with this model.

Recall

measures the ratio of true positive against false negative for the wine qualities. Basically it means that the chances of the wine quality actually being a category but not being categorized as its respective quality. Having high recall means there is a lesser chance of wine being mismatched to other wine quality. In this case quality 5 still have the least class of being mis-categorized while 6 and 7 performed similarly.

Overall, the model is passable for the purpose of classifying wines from its acid composition. There is still a large margin of error and its prediction can be unwieldy but it is does not guess everything wrongly. For the results that it produces, most of the statistics would hover around the 60% margin in many areas of accuracy rating. I would trust this model 60% of the time and its assessment of my dummy dataset is satisfactory.

Full Script

```
library(tidyverse)
library(class)
data<-read.csv("winequality-red.csv")
view(data)
data2<-data%>%select(fixed.acidity,volatile.acidity,citric.acid,pH,quality)
data2<-data2%>%filter(!is.na(fixed.acidity),!is.na(volatile.acidity),!is.na(citric.acid),!
is.na(pH))
split=0.8
training<-sample(nrow(data2),size=split*nrow(data2),replace=FALSE)
testing <- setdiff(seq len(nrow(data2)), training)
result<-knn(data2[training,-5],data2[testing,-5],data2$quality[training])
comparison<-result==data2$quality[testing]
sum(comparison)
set.volatile.acidity<-c(0.76,0.88,0.2,0.11)
fixed.acidity<-c(10.1,11.6,3.2,2.1)
citric.acid<-c(0.99,0.71,0.01,0.3)
pH < -c(3.01, 3.04, 3.11, 3.21)
data3<-data.frame(fixed.acidity.volatile.acidity.citric.acid.pH)
result2<-knn(data2[training,-5],data3,data2$quality[training])
data2[testing,] %>%group by(quality)%>%summarise(count=n())
summary(comparison)
library(caret)
ref<-as.factor(data2$quality[testing])
result22<-as.factor(result)
confusionMatrix(result22,ref)
conf<-confusionMatrix(result22,ref)
conf$byClass
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