

Experiment 10:

Implement K-Medoids clustering using R.

Solution:

Partition Around Medoids (PAM)

PAM stands for “Partition Around Medoids.” PAM converts each step of PAM from a deterministic computational to a statistical estimation problem and reduces the complexity of a sample size n to $O(n \log n)$. Medoids are data points chosen as cluster centers. K-Means clustering aims at minimizing the intra-cluster distance (often referred to as the total squared error). In contrast, K-Medoids minimizes dissimilarities between points in a cluster and points considered as centers of that cluster.

Algorithm

The fundamental concept of PAM includes:

1. Find a set of k Medoids (k refers to the number of clusters, and M is a collection of medoids) from the data points of size n (n being the number of records).
2. Using any distance metric (say $d(\cdot)$, could be euclidean, manhattan, etc.), try and locate Medoids that minimize the overall distance of data points to their closest Medoid.
3. Finally, swap Medoid and non-Medoid pairs that reduce the loss function L among all possible $k(n-k)$ pairs. The loss function is defined as:

$$L(M) = \sum_{i=1}^n \min_{m \in M} d(m, x_i)$$

Update centroids: In the case of K-Means, we were computing the mean of all points present in the cluster. But for the PAM algorithm, the updation of the centroid is different. If there are m -point in a cluster, swap the previous centroid with all other $(m-1)$ points and finalize the point as a new centroid with a minimum loss. Minimum loss is computed by the above cost function

Algorithm implementation

1. Install the relevant packages and call their libraries

```
> library("ggplot2")
```

```
> library("cluster")
```

2. Loading and analyzing the dataset

```
> summary("iris")
```

Sepal.Length	Sepal.Width	Petal.Length	Petal.Width	Species
Min. :4.300	Min. :2.000	Min. :1.000	Min. :0.100	setosa :50
1st Qu.:5.100	1st Qu.:2.800	1st Qu.:1.600	1st Qu.:0.300	versicolor:50
Median :5.800	Median :3.000	Median :4.350	Median :1.300	virginica :50
Mean :5.843	Mean :3.057	Mean :3.758	Mean :1.199	
3rd Qu.:6.400	3rd Qu.:3.300	3rd Qu.:5.100	3rd Qu.:1.800	
Max. :7.900	Max. :4.400	Max. :6.900	Max. :2.500	

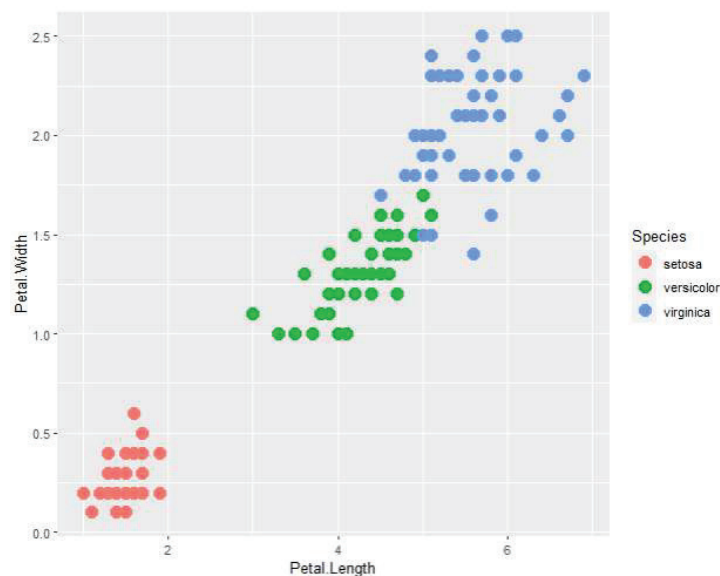
```
> head("iris")
```

	Sepal.Length	Sepal.Width	Petal.Length	Petal.Width	Species
1	5.1	3.5	1.4	0.2	setosa
2	4.9	3.0	1.4	0.2	setosa
3	4.7	3.2	1.3	0.2	setosa
4	4.6	3.1	1.5	0.2	setosa
5	5.0	3.6	1.4	0.2	setosa
6	5.4	3.9	1.7	0.4	setosa

```
> tail("iris")
```

	Sepal.Length	Sepal.Width	Petal.Length	Petal.Width	Species
145	6.7	3.3	5.7	2.5	virginica
146	6.7	3.0	5.2	2.3	virginica
147	6.3	2.5	5.0	1.9	virginica
148	6.5	3.0	5.2	2.0	virginica
149	6.2	3.4	5.4	2.3	virginica
150	5.9	3.0	5.1	1.8	virginica

```
> ggplot(iris)+aes(Petal.Length,Petal.Width)+geom_point(aes(col=Species),size=4)
```



3. Eliminating the target variable

```
> data <- select (iris, c(1:4))
```

4. Apply k-medoids algorithm using PAM function

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> kmediod <- pam(data, k=3, metric="euclidean")
```

```
> kmediod
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