Exercise 6 Clustering Algorithms

Distance measurements

Euclidean distance	$d(A, B) = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^{n} (A_i - B_i)^2}$
Manhattan distance	$d(A, B) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} A_i - B_i $
Hamming distance	$d(A, B) = \#\{i : A_i \neq B_i\}$

k-means Algorithm:

Inputs: D: Dataset; k: the number of clusters to form;

Outputs: D: Labeled dataset;

Begin

Randomly choose k instances as centroids.

Repeat

Calculate the distance between each instance D[i] and the k centroids;

Assign each instance D[i] to the cluster closest to its center;

Calculate the new center of each cluster and modify the centroid;

Until D[i] is the same as D[i-1];

Return D:

End.

Questions:

Let's ignore the "Exercise" and "ep (ms)" and "ID" attributes.

- 1- Re-use the distance function seen in TP 5.
- 2- Write a function to calculate the centroid of a set of instances.
- 3- Write a function to find the cluster to which a given instance is the closest.
- 4- Implement the k-means algorithm.
- 5- Test the algorithm with k=2, k=5 and k=6. Suggest an interpretation of the obtained clustering.

Have fun!