

# Density-Based Clustering for Adaptive Density Variation - Supplementary

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## I. IMPLEMENTATION AND PARAMETER SETTINGS

The proposed algorithm DBADV is implemented in Python. Source code, synthetic data sets, and supplementary material are available at <https://dmm.dbs.ifi.lmu.de/cms/downloads>. We run all experiments on a machine equipped with six cores (Intel Core i7-8700 3.19GHz) and 32GB memory.

We conduct experiments on two synthetic data sets *Shape3* and *Shape5* generated by us, five common data sets with multivariate including Seeds, Dermatology, Image Segment, Page Blocks, and Crowdsourced Mapping (Crowdsourced) from the UCI Machine Learning Repository [1], and one face image data set warpPIE10P with high dimensionality from the Feature Selection Repository<sup>1</sup>. The statistics of these data sets are briefly described in Table I. We preprocess datasets using the MinMaxScaler such that each feature ranges in  $[0, 1]$  before the experiments. Besides, we run all initialization dependent algorithms (e.g.,  $k$ -means, Spectral clustering) 10 times and report the best results.

Table I  
STATISTICS OF DATA SETS

Data set	# Samples	# Features	# Classes
<i>Shape3</i>	2250	2	3
<i>Shape5</i>	3150	2	5
Seeds	210	7	3
Dermatology	358	34	6
Image Segment	2310	19	7
Page Blocks	5473	10	5
Crowdsourced	10545	28	6
warpPIE10P	210	2420	10

To extensively evaluate the performance of the proposed DBADV, we take a range of competitive clustering algorithms as our baselines, including density-based methods DBSCAN<sup>2</sup> and its variants OPTICS<sup>2</sup>, HDBSCAN<sup>3</sup>, CRAD<sup>4</sup>, DBSCAN-DScale<sup>5</sup>, SpectACI<sup>6</sup>, and other categories of clus-

tering algorithms  $k$ -means<sup>2</sup>, Spectral clustering<sup>7</sup>, Self-tuning spectral clustering<sup>7</sup>, Affinity Propagation<sup>2</sup>, and Sync<sup>8</sup>. For each baseline, we search for the best achievable clustering result in a reasonable range of parameters, or the default value of parameters recommended by the authors, as shown in Table II. Notably, Sync is a parameter-free clustering algorithm.

Table II  
PARAMETERS AND THEIR SEARCH RANGE FOR EACH CLUSTERING ALGORITHM.  $nSample$  IS THE NUMBER OF SAMPLES;  $N$  DENOTES THE NUMBER OF CLUSTERS;  $median$  PRESENTS THE MEDIAN OF THE SIMILARITY MATRIX.

Algorithm	Parameters with search range
DBADV	$MinPts \in \{1, 2, \dots, 30\}$ ; $perp \in \{1, 2, \dots, 30\}$ ; $prob = 0.977$
DBSCAN	$MinPts \in \{1, 2, \dots, 30\}$ ; $eps \in \{0.01, 0.02, \dots, 1\}$
OPTICS	$MinPts \in \{1, 2, \dots, 30\}$ ; $\xi \in \{0.01, 0.02, \dots, 0.99\}$
HDBSCAN	$minSample = minCluster \in \{2, 3, \dots, 30\}$ ; $\alpha = 1$
CRAD	$StepSize = 1$ ; $Nbin \in (0.2 * nSample - 100, 0.2 * nSample + 100)$
DBSCAN-DScale	$MinPts \in \{1, 2, \dots, 30\}$ ; $eps \in \{0.01, 0.02, \dots, 1\}$ ; $\eta \in \{0.1, 0.2, \dots, 0.5\}$
SpectACI	$eps \in \{0.01, 0.02, \dots, 1\}$ ; $numCluster = N$ ; $d = 50$
$k$ -means	$numCluster = N$
Spectral	$numCluster = N$ ; $\sigma = 0.04$
Self-tuning	$numCluster \in \{2, 3, \dots, 100\}$ ; $K = 7$
Affinity Prop.	$lam \in \{0.5, 0.55, \dots, 0.95\}$ ; $p = median$

## REFERENCES

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<sup>1</sup><https://jundongl.github.io/scikit-feature/datasets.html>

<sup>2</sup><https://scikit-learn.org/stable/modules/clustering.html>

<sup>3</sup><https://github.com/scikit-learn-contrib/hdbscan>

<sup>4</sup><https://github.com/DataMining-ClusteringAnalysis/CRAD-Clustering/>

<sup>5</sup><https://sourceforge.net/projects/distance-scaling/>

<sup>6</sup><https://sfb876.tu-dortmund.de/spectacl/index.html>

<sup>7</sup><http://www.vision.caltech.edu/lihi/Demos/SelfTuningClustering.html>

<sup>8</sup><http://dm.uestc.edu.cn/publication/>