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Assignment-2

- * Title:- Consider a suitable data for clustering of data instances in different groups, apply different clustering techniques. Visualize the clusters using suitable tool.
- * Objectives:- Understand various clustering types and how to implement the same using suitable tool (python). Using python to create k-means clustering models and hierarchical clustering models.
- * Outcomes:- will be able to demonstrate different clustering algorithms. student will be able to demonstrate and visualize the effectiveness of k-means clustering and hierarchical clustering using graphical capabilities of python.
- * SW and HW Requirements:-
64-bit OS, python 3.8, Jupyter Notebook, machine with 64-bit processor.
- * Theory:- K-Means clustering is a type of unsupervised learning, which is used when you have unlabeled data. The goal of this algorithm is to find groups in the data, with the number of groups represented by the variable k . The algorithm works iteratively to assign each data point to one of k -groups based on provided features:
 - (i) Centroids of the k -clusters, which are used to label data.
 - (ii) Labels for training data.

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To calculate the optimal no. of clusters, ~~which are used~~ the elbow method is used. A graph of within cluster sum of squares (WCSS) against no. of clusters is plotted to find out elbow point.

$$WCSS = \sum_{c=1}^K \left(\sum_{d_i \in c} \text{distance}(d_i, c)^2 \right)$$

Steps to implement k-means -

- (i) choose the no. of clusters K .
- (ii) select K random points (centroids).
- (iii) Assign each data point to the closest centroid. This forms K clusters.
- (iv) label the data points according to the clusters.
- (v) model is ready.

* Hierarchical clustering:-

Given a set of N items to be clustered and on $N \times N$ distance matrix.

Following are the steps for clustering.

- (i) start by assigning each item to its own cluster.
- (ii) Find the closest pair of clusters and merge them into a single cluster.
- (iii) Compute the distances between the new cluster and each of the old clusters.
- (iv) Repeat steps 2 & 3 until all items are clustered into a single cluster.

With the help of the distance matrix, we can plot a dendrogram which displays hierarchical relationship among data items.

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* Conclusion:- Thus, we studied different clustering techniques and implemented them using python.