INTRODUCTION:-

Clustering is an unsupervised machine learning technique used to group similar data points based on shared characteristics. In this document, we apply two clustering algorithms—**KMeans** and **Hierarchical Clustering**—to the well-known **Iris dataset**, which contains measurements of iris flowers across different species.

Since clustering is an unsupervised learning problem, we ignore the species labels and attempt to discover natural groupings within the data. The document covers:

- 1. **Loading and Preprocessing**: Preparing the Iris dataset for clustering.
- 2. KMeans Clustering: Explanation, implementation, and visualization of KMeans clusters.
- 3. **Hierarchical Clustering**: Explanation, implementation, and visualization using dendrograms and scatter plots.

Code:-

Apply KMeans

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import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns
from sklearn.datasets import load_iris
from sklearn.cluster import KMeans
from scipy.cluster.hierarchy import linkage, dendrogram, fcluster
#1. Loading and Preprocessing
# Load the Iris dataset
iris = load_iris()
# Create DataFrame
iris df = pd.DataFrame(iris.data, columns=iris.feature names)
# Display basic information
print(iris_df.head())
# 2A. KMeans Clustering
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kmeans = KMeans(n_clusters=3, random_state=42)
iris_df['kmeans_cluster'] = kmeans.fit_predict(iris_df)
# Visualize KMeans Clusters
plt.figure(figsize=(8, 6))
sns.scatterplot(x=iris_df.iloc[:, 0], y=iris_df.iloc[:, 1], hue=iris_df['kmeans_cluster'], palette='viridis')
plt.title('KMeans Clustering on Iris Dataset')
plt.xlabel(iris.feature_names[0])
plt.ylabel(iris.feature_names[1])
plt.show()
# 2B. Hierarchical Clustering
# Perform Hierarchical Clustering
linkage_matrix = linkage(iris_df.iloc[:, :-1], method='ward')
# Visualize Dendrogram
plt.figure(figsize=(10, 7))
dendrogram(linkage_matrix, truncate_mode='level', p=3)
plt.title('Hierarchical Clustering Dendrogram')
plt.xlabel('Data Points')
plt.ylabel('Distance')
plt.show()
# Assign Hierarchical Clusters
iris_df['hierarchical_cluster'] = fcluster(linkage_matrix, 3, criterion='maxclust')
# Visualize Hierarchical Clusters
plt.figure(figsize=(8, 6))
sns.scatterplot(x=iris_df.iloc[:, 0], y=iris_df.iloc[:, 1], hue=iris_df['hierarchical_cluster'], palette='Set1')
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plt.title('Hierarchical Clustering on Iris Dataset')

plt.xlabel(iris.feature_names[0])

plt.ylabel(iris.feature_names[1])

plt.show()





