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What is k-means clustering?

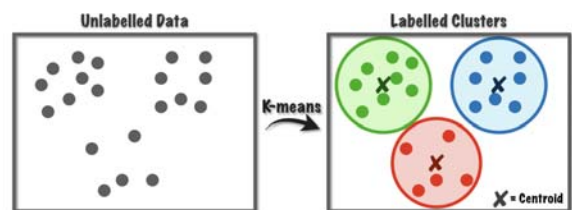
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K-means clustering

Goal:
Clustering the data into K groups

Method:

- Select K points as cluster centres
- Assign observations to their closest cluster centre using some distance function
- Calculate the centroid of all observations in each cluster
- Repeat previous steps until stopping conditions are met



<https://towardsdatascience.com/k-means-a-complete-introduction-1702af9cd8c>

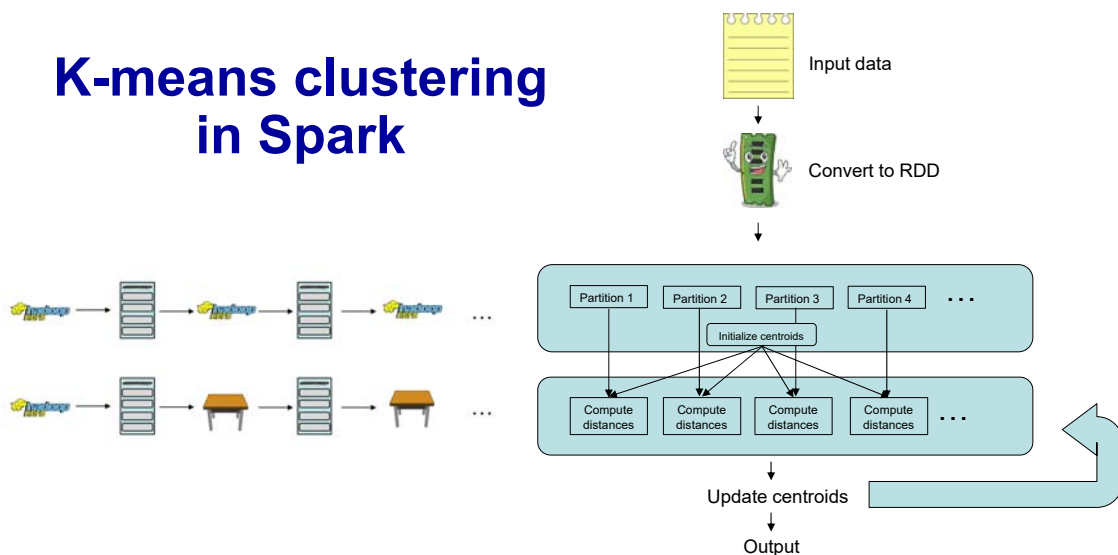
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Question time

Q What parameters do we need to set?

Q In which part of the algorithm would MLib leverage Spark's architecture to speed up K-means clustering?

K-means clustering in Spark



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