

# CO553 - Questions k-NN

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## 1 Implementation

You can use numpy in python (among other tools) to implement a k-NN algorithm. The IRIS dataset (provided in the dataset document) can be used to evaluate the classification capabilities of your k-NN implementation and the Robot dataset can be used as a regression task.

## 2 Questions

Here is a set of various questions to improve your understanding of k-NN.

1. In k-NN, the query time is longer than the training time.
  - A TRUE
  - B FALSE
2. Which of the following option is true about k-NN algorithm?
  - A It can be used for classification
  - B It can be used for regression
  - C It can be used in both classification and regression
3. Which of the following is true about Manhattan distance?
  - A It can be used for continuous variables
  - B It can be used for categorical variables
  - C It can be used for categorical as well as continuous
  - D None of these
4. What are the appropriate things to do with k-NN when you have noisy dataset?
  - A I will increase the value of k
  - B I will decrease the value of k
  - C k does not dependent on the noise
  - D None of these
5. In k-NN, what is the effect of increasing/decreasing the value of k?
  - A The boundary becomes smoother with increasing value of K
  - B The boundary becomes smoother with decreasing value of K
  - C Smoothness of boundary does not dependent on value of K
  - D None of these
6. For embedded applications (i.e., running on a smartphone), what is the most appropriate family of algorithm?
  - A Eager learners
  - B Lazy learners

7. Given  $d$  the distance between a point of the dataset and the query point. Which of the following weight function is appropriate for Distance-Weighted k-NN?
- A  $w = \exp(-d)$
  - B  $w = -\log(\min(0.25 * d, 1.0))$
  - C  $w = -d$
8. Which of the following statements is true for k-NN classifiers?
- A The classification accuracy is better with larger values of k
  - B The decision boundary is smoother with smaller values of k
  - C The decision boundary is linear
  - D k-NN does not require an explicit training step
9. The curse of dimensionality only affects k-NN.
- A TRUE
  - B FALSE
10. In Figure 1, sketch the 1-nearest neighbour decision boundary for this dataset.

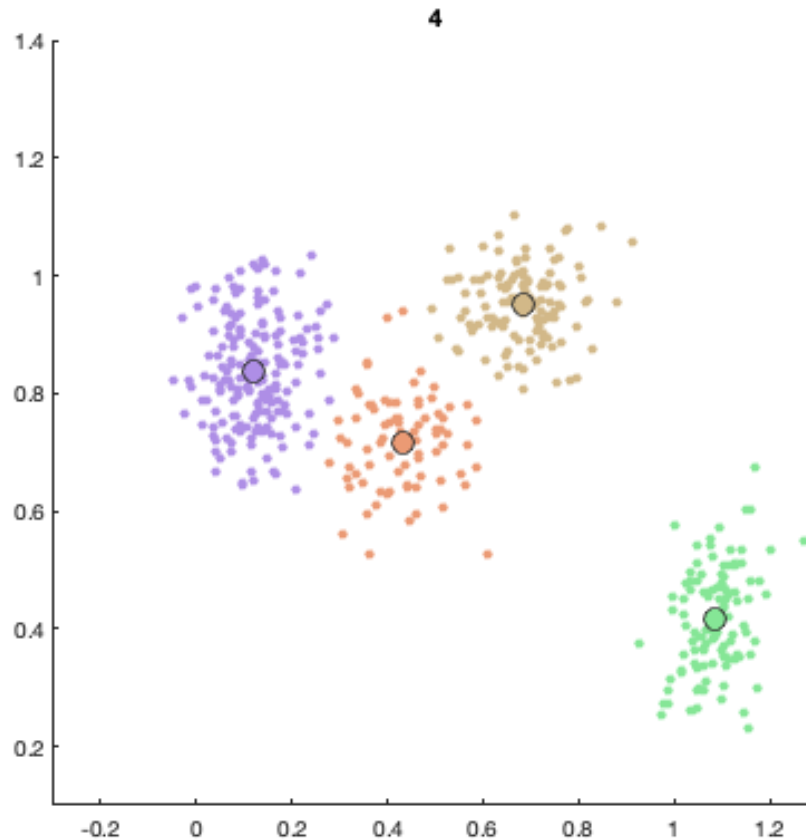


Figure 1: 4classes dataset.