## CIS600 Fundamentals of Data and Knowledge Mining

## **Week 9 Clustering Algorithms**

## **Discussion Questions**

- 1. What is cluster analysis? Compare partitional vs. hierarchical clustering.
- 2. Discussions of distance functions
- 3. Data preprocessing and preparation for clustering algorithm
- 4. How does K-means algorithm work? The objective function? Hyper-parameters?
- 5. How does hierarchical agglomerative algorithm work? Hyper-parameters?
- 6. Compare K-means algorithm and HAC
- 7. Python demo of cluster analysis