Class 7: Machine Learning 1

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Useful Functions

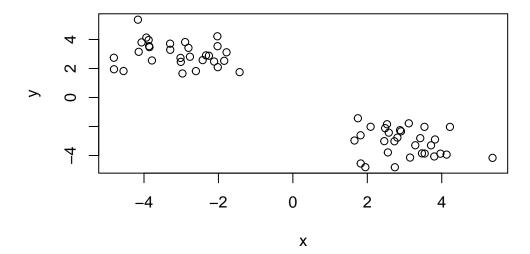
• rnorm() gives set of numbers that are normally distributed

- c() makes vector
- cbind() combines columns
- kmeans() base R function for clustering; arguments include input data and centres

K-means Clustering

Let's make up some data to cluster.

```
tmp <- c(rnorm(30,-3), rnorm(30,+3))
x <- cbind(x=tmp, y=rev(tmp))
plot(x)</pre>
```



The function to do k-means clustering in base R is called kmeans(). We give this our input data for clustering and the number of clusters we want centers.

```
km <- kmeans(x, centers = 2, nstart=20)
km</pre>
```

K-means clustering with 2 clusters of sizes 30, 30

Cluster means:

x y 1 3.008983 -3.092372

2 -3.092372 3.008983

Clustering vector:

Within cluster sum of squares by cluster:

[1] 48.57071 48.57071

(between_SS / total_SS = 92.0 %)

Available components:

[1] "cluster" "centers" "totss" "withinss" "tot.withinss"

[6] "betweenss" "size" "iter" "ifault"

Q. What 'component' of your result object details

• cluster size?

km\$size

[1] 30 30

• cluster assignment?

km\$cluster

• cluster center?

km\$centers

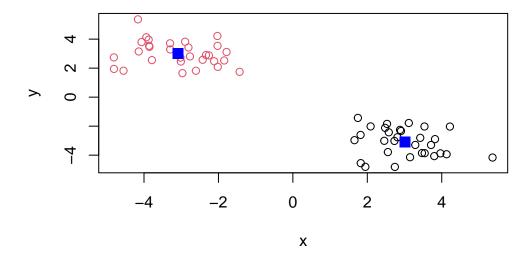
X /

1 3.008983 -3.092372

2 -3.092372 3.008983

$\boldsymbol{Q}.$ Plot \boldsymbol{x} coloured by the kmeans cluster assignment and add cluster centers as blue points

```
plot(x, col=km$cluster)
points(km$centers,col="blue", pch=15, cex=1.5)
```



Hierarchical Clustering

The hclust() function performs hierarchival clustering. The big advantace here is I don't need to tell it "k" the number of clusters...

To run hclust(), I need to provide a distance matrix (dist()) as input (not the original data!)

```
hc <- hclust(dist(x))
hc</pre>
```

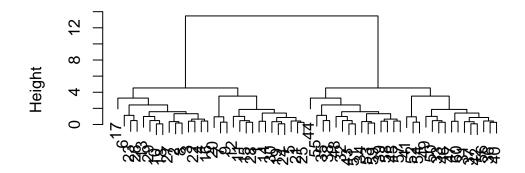
Call:
hclust(d = dist(x))

Cluster method : complete
Distance : euclidean

Number of objects: 60

plot(hc)

Cluster Dendrogram



dist(x)
hclust (*, "complete")

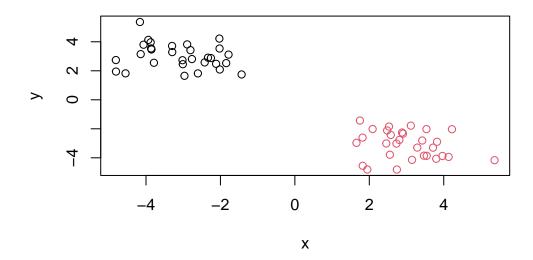
To get my "main" result (cluster membership) I want to "cut" this tree to yield "branches" whose leaves are the members of the cluster.

```
cutree(hc, h=8)
```

More often, we will use cutree() with k=2; for example:

```
grps <- cutree(hc,k=2)</pre>
```

Plot of data clustered by groups:



Principal Component Analysis

Q1. How many rows and columns are in your new data frame named x? What R functions could you use to answer this questions?

Using dim() or nrow() and ncol(); 17 rows and 5 columns.

```
#Import Data
url <- "https://tinyurl.com/UK-foods"
x <- read.csv(url)
dim(x)

[1] 17 5</pre>
```

```
#Preview the first 6 rows
head(x)
```

	Х	England	Wales	Scotland	N.Ireland
1	Cheese	105	103	103	66
2	Carcass_meat	245	227	242	267
3	Other_meat	685	803	750	586
4	Fish	147	160	122	93
5	Fats_and_oils	193	235	184	209
6	Sugars	156	175	147	139

```
#Fixing row names
rownames(x) <- x[,1]
x <- x[,-1]
head(x)</pre>
```

	England	Wales	${\tt Scotland}$	N.Ireland
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Fats_and_oils	193	235	184	209
Sugars	156	175	147	139

```
#Alternative approach
x <- read.csv(url, row.names=1)
head(x)</pre>
```

	England	Wales	${\tt Scotland}$	${\tt N.Ireland}$
Cheese	105	103	103	66
Carcass_meat	245	227	242	267
Other_meat	685	803	750	586
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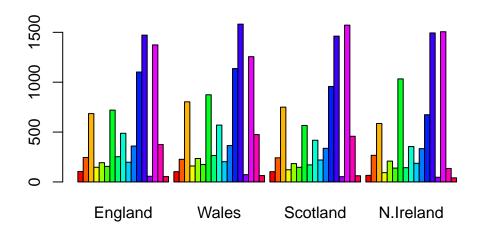
Q2. Which approach to solving the 'row-names problem' mentioned above do you prefer and why? Is one approach more robust than another under certain circumstances?

The second approach because we don't want to accidentally keep deleting the row names, which can happen with the first approach.

Q3. Changing what optional argument in the above barplot() function results in the following plot?

beside=FALSE.

```
barplot(as.matrix(x), beside=T, col=rainbow(nrow(x)))
```



?barplot

barplot(as.matrix(x), beside=F, col=rainbow(nrow(x)))



Q5. Generating all pairwise plots may help somewhat. Can you make sense of the following code and resulting figure? What does it mean if a given point lies on the diagonal for a given plot?

Plot is all possible pairwise plots, and each one corresponds to comparison between two countries. Each point corresponds to the food group (coloured by col=rainbow(10) with the shape pch=16). A straight line would indicate that the two countries have the same values for each food group.

```
pairs(x, col=rainbow(10), pch=16)
```



Q6. What is the main differences between N. Ireland and the other countries of the UK in terms of this data-set?

They eat more of one food group, as indicated by the deep blue dot.

PCA to the rescue

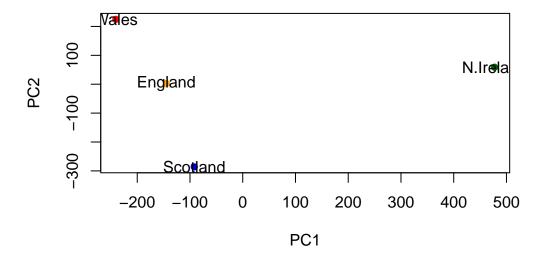
The main function in base R to do PCR is called prcomp(). One issue with the function is that it expects the transpose of our data as input i.e., it wants the countries as the rows and the food groups as the columns.

```
pca <- prcomp(t(x))
summary(pca)</pre>
```

Importance of components:

	PC1	PC2	PC3	PC4
Standard deviation	324.1502	212.7478	73.87622	4.189e-14
Proportion of Variance	0.6744	0.2905	0.03503	0.000e+00
Cumulative Proportion	0.6744	0.9650	1.00000	1.000e+00

The object returned by prcomp() has our results that include a \$x component. This is our "scores" along the PCs (i.e., the plot of our data along the new PC axis).



Variable Loadings

```
#For PC1
par(mar=c(10, 3, 0.35, 0))
barplot( pca$rotation[,1], las=2 )
```

