

# Lecture 9: Clustering

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# AGENDA

**01** Clustering: Overview

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**02** K-Means Clustering

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**03** Hierarchical Clustering

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**04** Density-based Clustering: DBSCAN

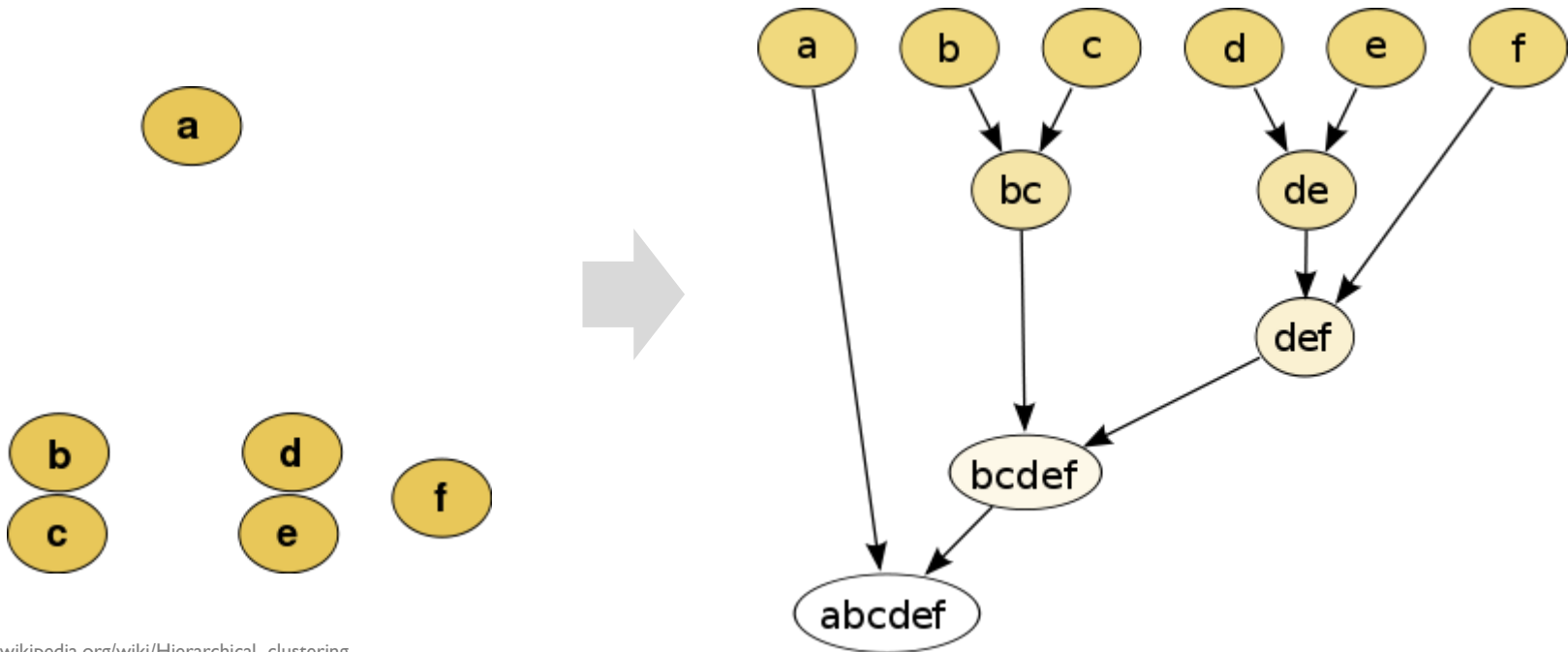
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**04** R Exercise

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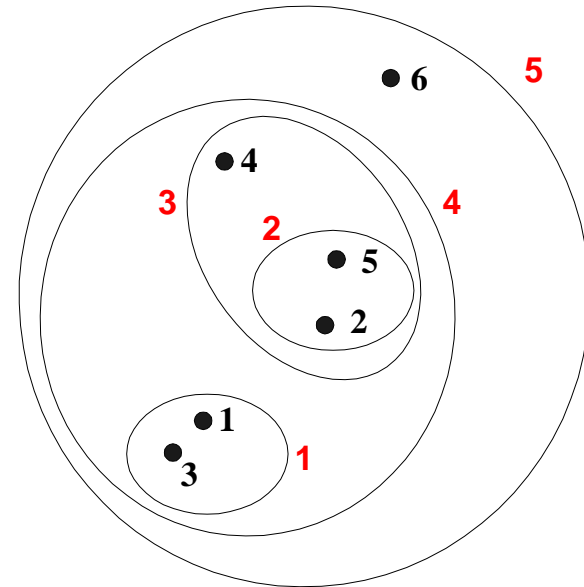
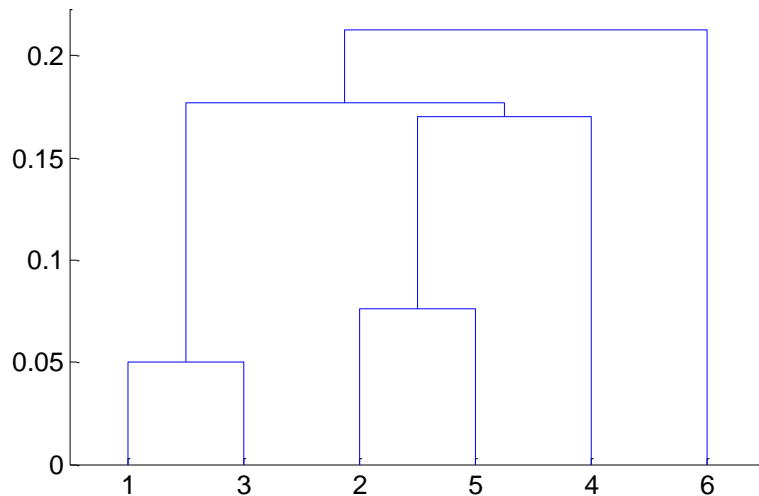
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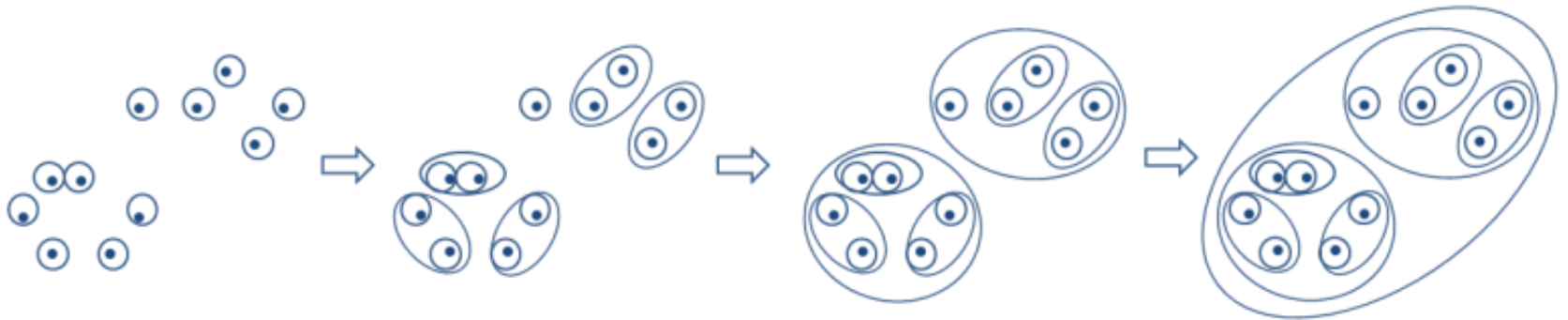
- Strengths of Hierarchical clustering
  - ✓ Do not have to assume any particular number of clusters
    - Any desired number of clusters can be obtained by **'cutting'** the dendrogram at the proper level
  - ✓ May correspond to meaningful taxonomies
- Two main types of hierarchical clustering
  - ✓ Agglomerative clustering
    - Start with the points as individual clusters
    - At each step, merge the closest pair of clusters until only one cluster left
  - ✓ Divisive clustering
    - Start with one, all-inclusive cluster
    - At each step, split a cluster until each cluster contains a point

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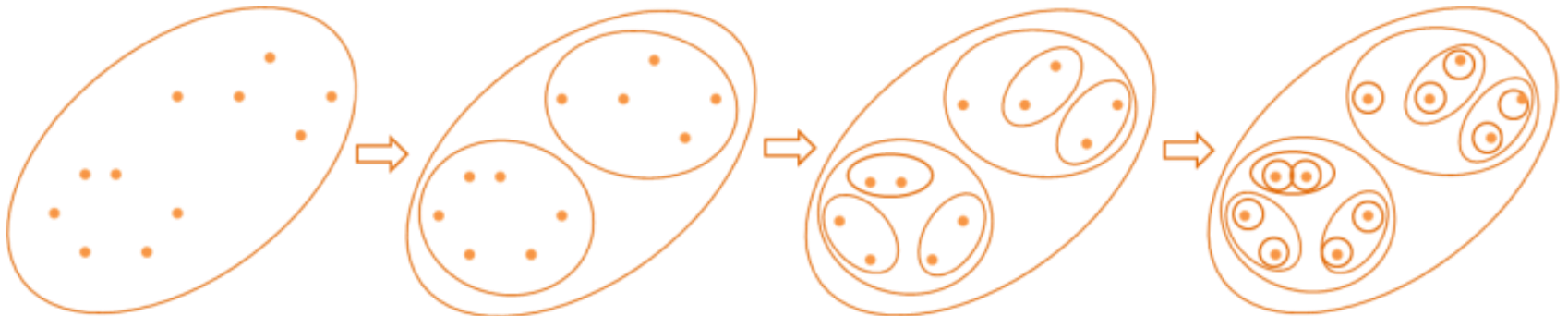
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✓ Agglomerative clustering vs. Divisive clustering

Agglomerative Hierarchical Clustering

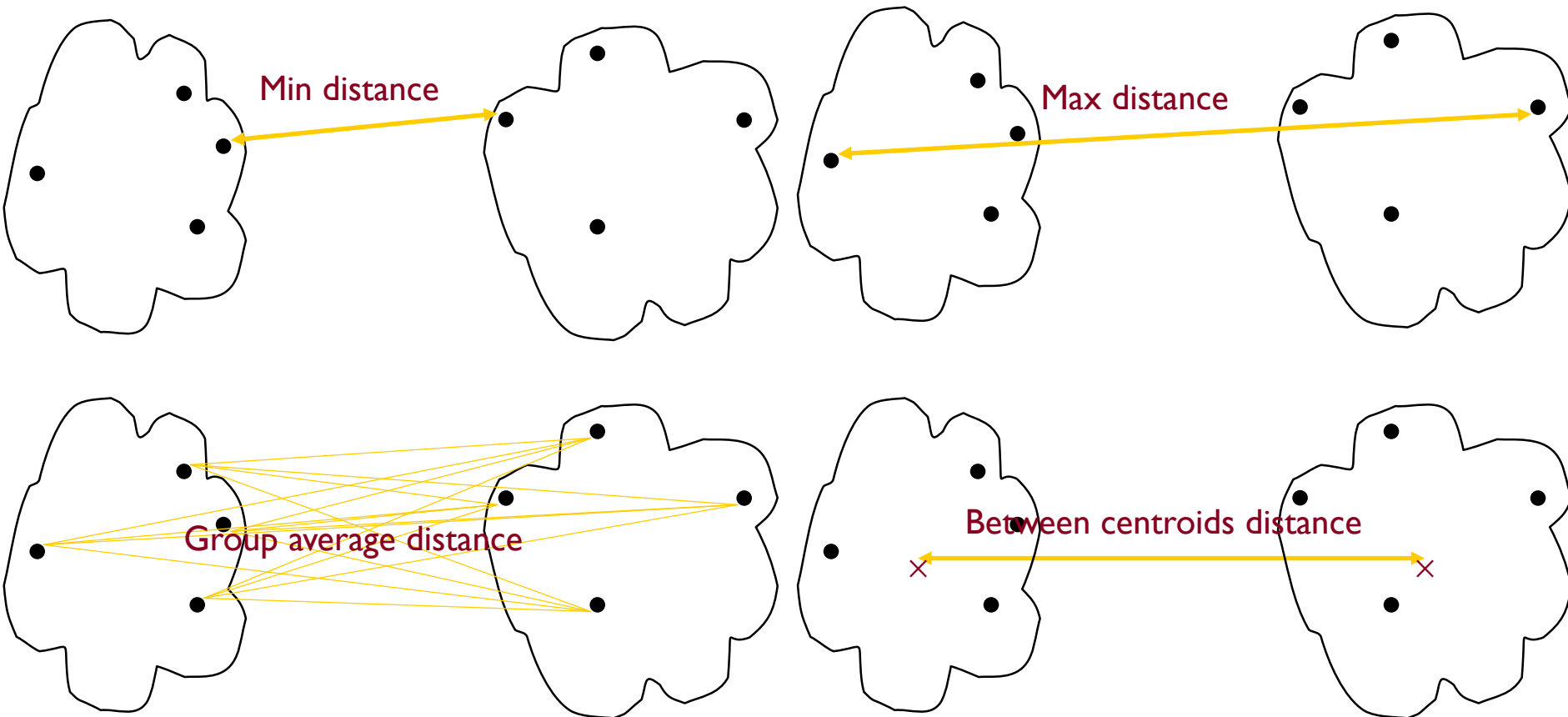


Divisive Hierarchical Clustering



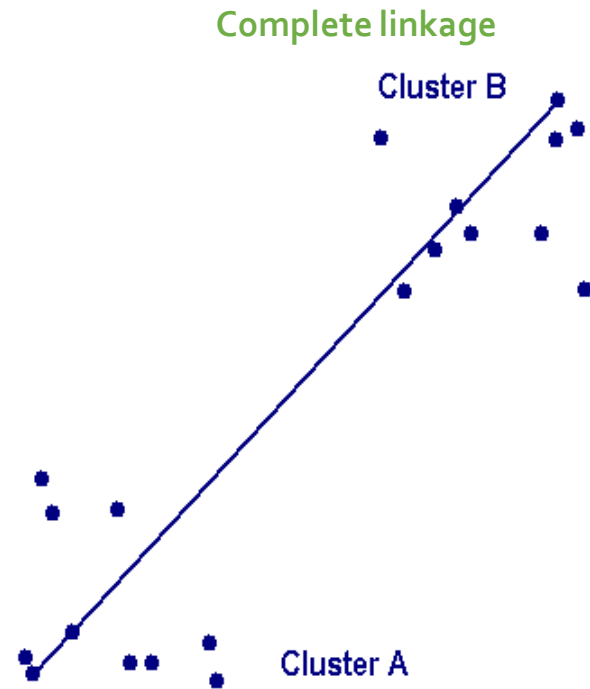
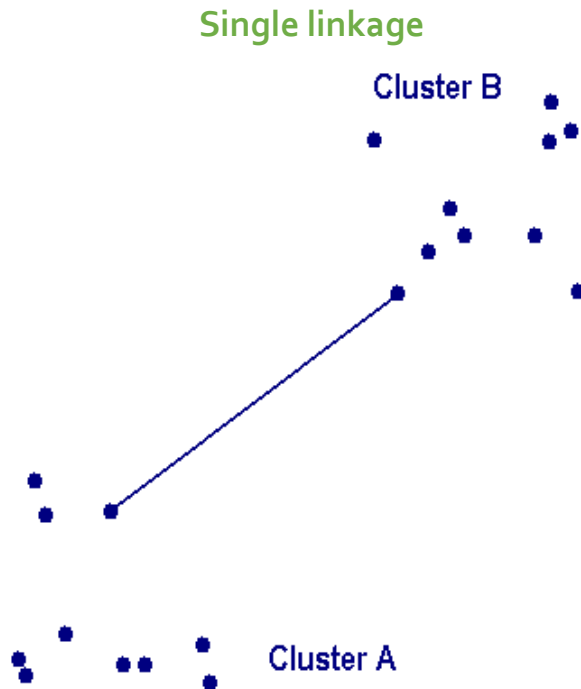
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- Agglomerative clustering algorithm
  - ✓ Key operation: computation of the proximity of two clusters
    - Min, max, group average, between centroid, etc.



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  - ✓ Single linkage: minimum distance between two data points in different clusters
  - ✓ Complete linkage: maximum distance between two data points in different clusters

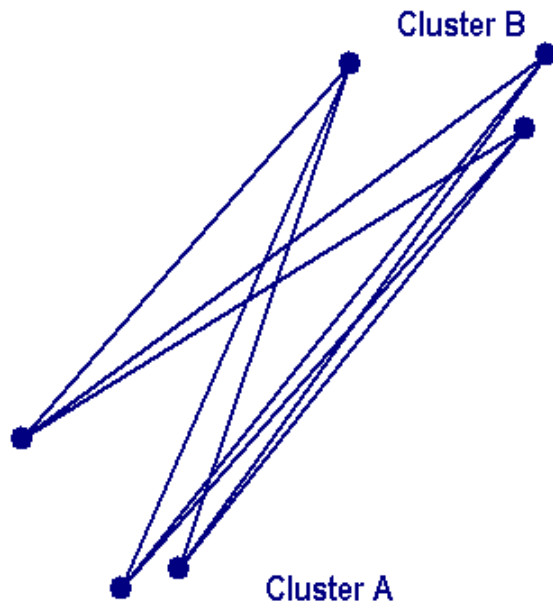




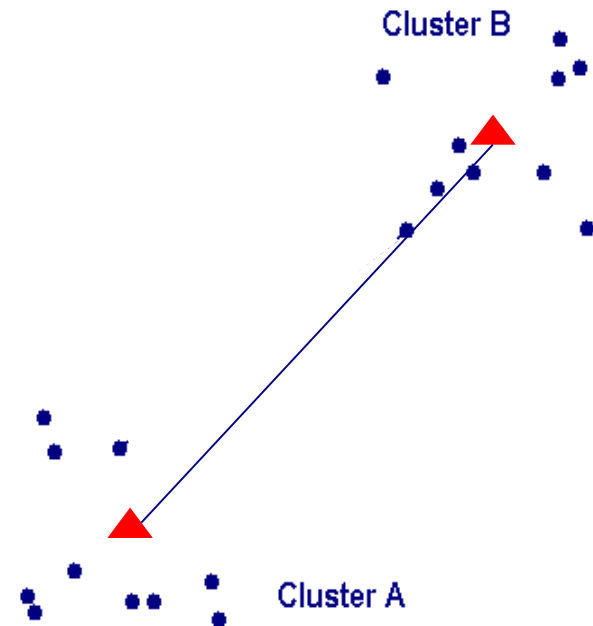
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- Agglomerative clustering algorithm
  - ✓ Average linkage: mean distance between two data points in different clusters
  - ✓ Centroid linkage: distance between centroids in different clusters

Average linkage



Centroid linkage

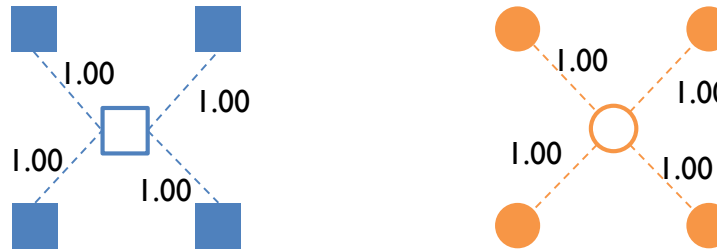


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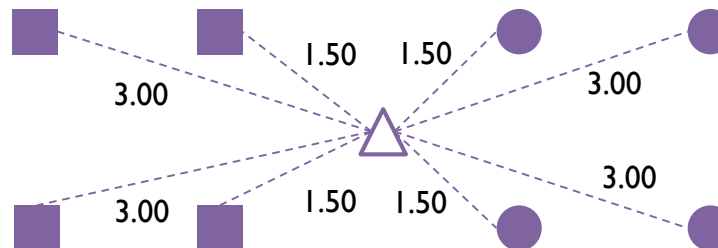
- Agglomerative clustering algorithm

- ✓ Ward method: Compare the sum of squared error (SSE) before and after the merge

- SSE before merge:  $1^2 + 1^2 + 1^2 + 1^2 + 1^2 + 1^2 + 1^2 + 1^2 = 8$



- SSE after merge:  $4 \times 1.5^2 + 4 \times 3^2 = 45$



- Ward distance:  $45 - 8 = 37$

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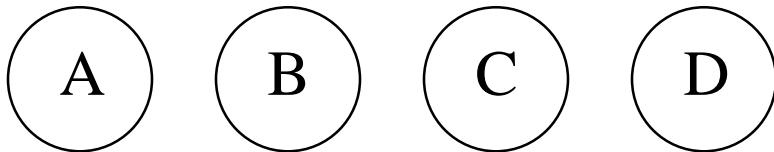
- Agglomerative Clustering Procedure

- ✓ Step 1: Assume that each data point is an individual cluster, compute the cluster distance
- ✓ Step 2: Repeat the following procedure
  - Step 2-1: Merge the two closest clusters
  - Step 2-2: Update the cluster distance matrix
- ✓ When all data points are merged as a single cluster, stop

# Hierarchical Clustering

- Example

Initial Data Items



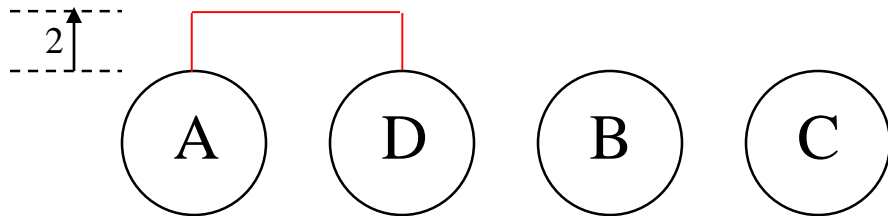
Distance Matrix

Dist	A	B	C	D
A		20	7	2
B			10	25
C				3
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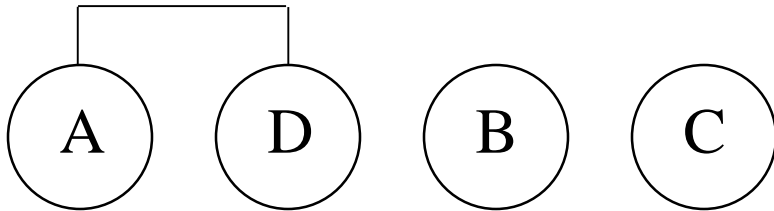
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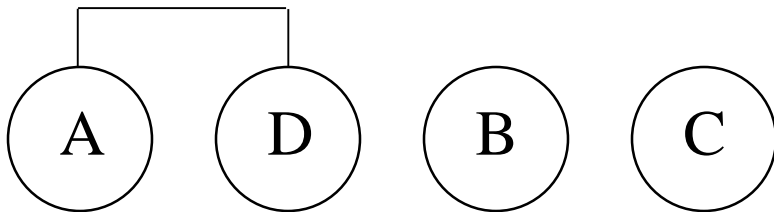
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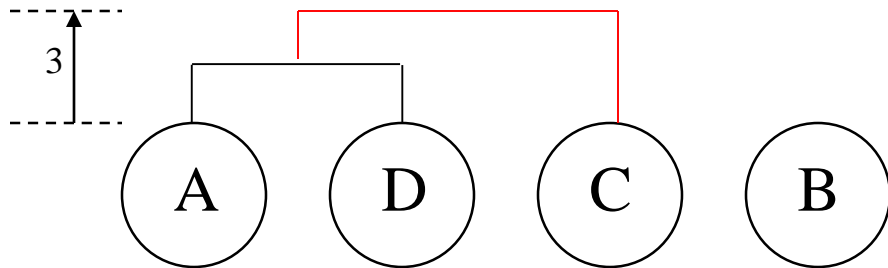
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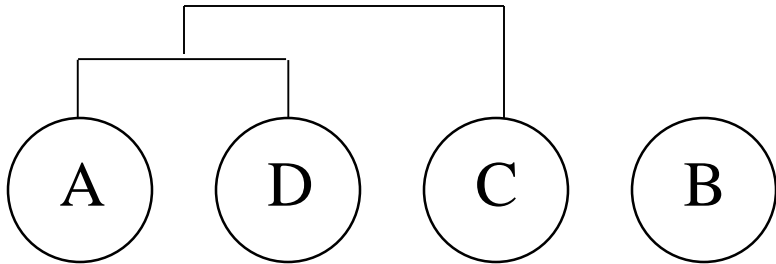
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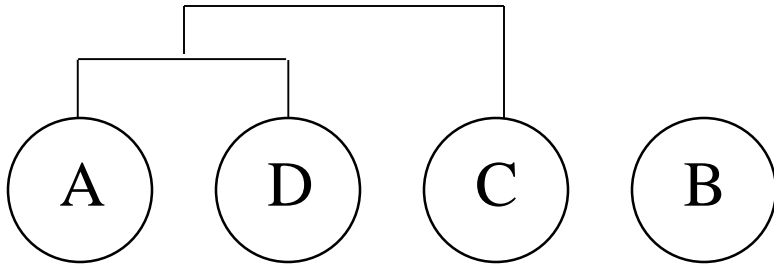
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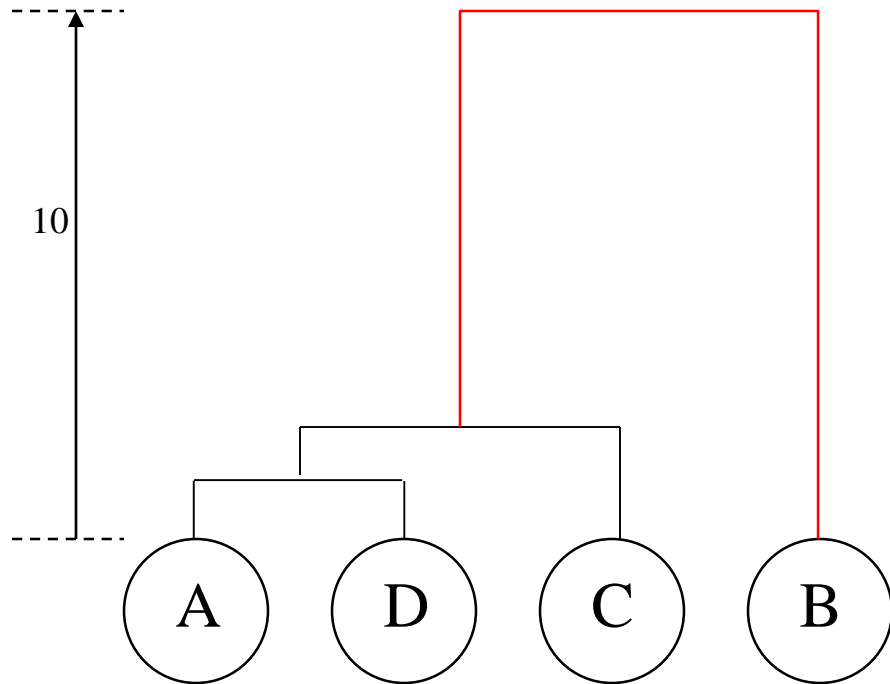
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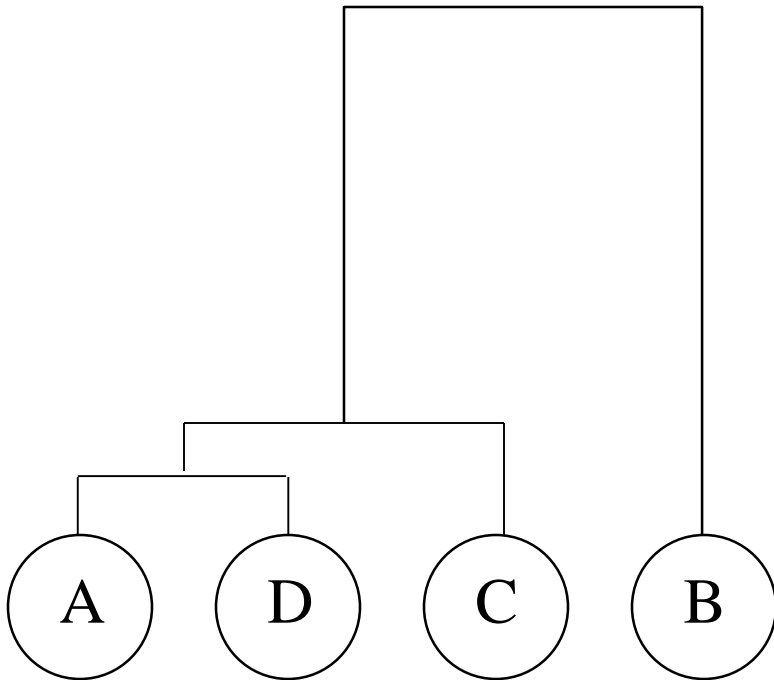
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Final Result

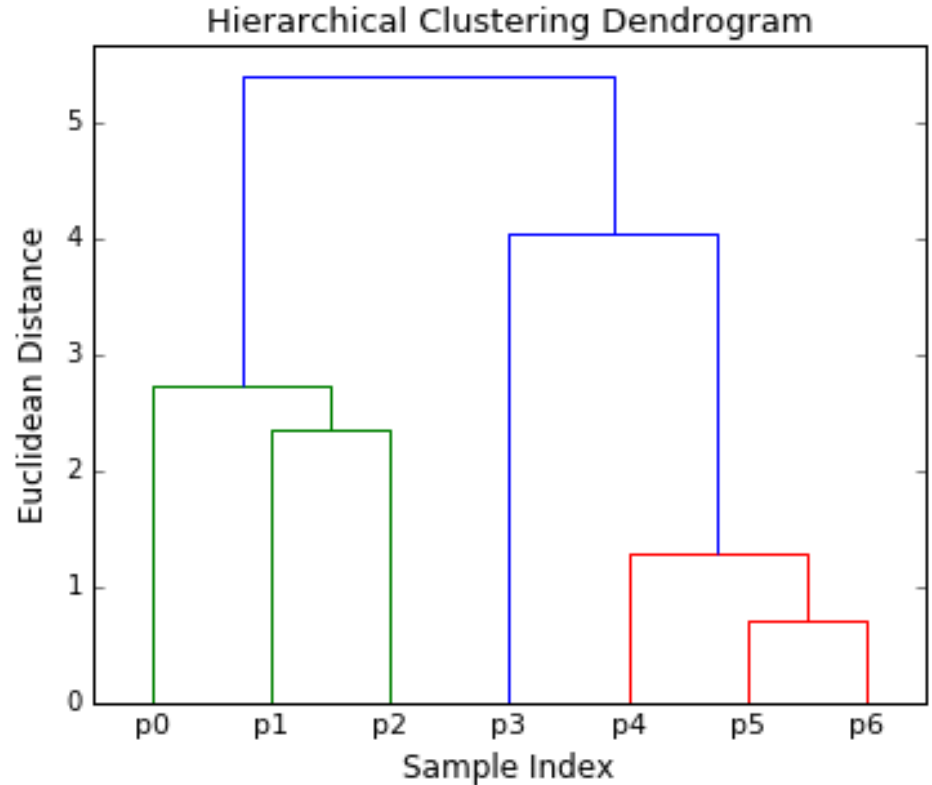
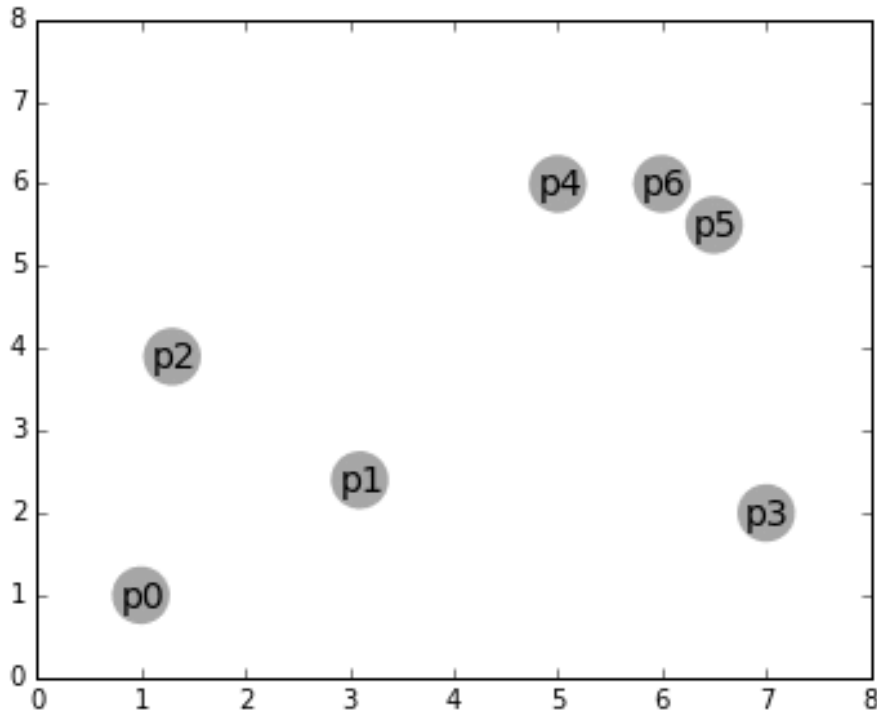


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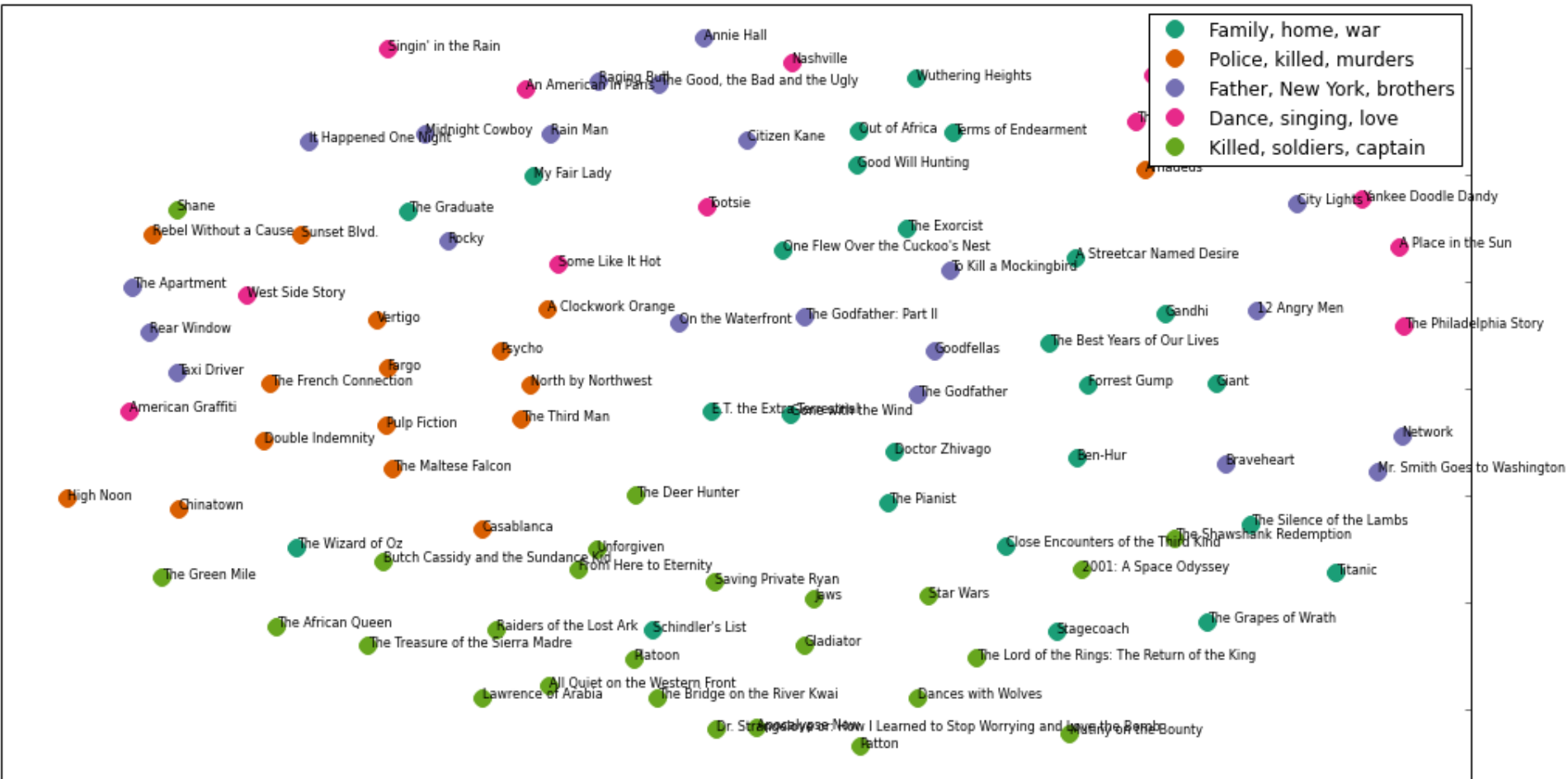


<https://towardsdatascience.com/the-5-clustering-algorithms-data-scientists-need-to-know-a36d136ef68>

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- Clustering top 100 film synopses (<http://brandonrose.org/clustering>)
  - ✓ Tokenizing and stemming each synopsis
  - ✓ Transforming the corpus into vector space using [tf-idf](#)
  - ✓ Calculating cosine distance between each document as a measure of similarity
  - ✓ Clustering the documents using the [k-means algorithm](#)
  - ✓ Using [multidimensional scaling](#) to reduce dimensionality within the corpus
  - ✓ Plotting the clustering output using [matplotlib](#) and [mpld3](#)
  - ✓ Conducting a hierarchical clustering on the corpus using [Ward clustering](#)
  - ✓ Plotting a Ward dendrogram
  - ✓ Topic modeling using [Latent Dirichlet Allocation \(LDA\)](#)

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