

Last time: K-means clustering

If X is a $N \times P$ mtx of numeric covariates and I define my dissim mtx D so that

$$D_{ii'} = \|x_i - x_{i'}\|^2$$

Combinatorial Clustering Problem:

Choose G s (G_1, \dots, G_K) so that

$$W = W(G_1, \dots, G_K) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i, i' \in G_k} D_{ii'}$$

is minimized, i.e.

$$\hat{G}_1, \hat{G}_2, \dots, \hat{G}_K = \underset{G_1, \dots, G_K}{\operatorname{argmin}} W(G_1, \dots, G_K)$$

Can show: Equivalent to

$$W = \sum_{k=1}^K N_k \sum_{i \in G_k} \|x_i - \bar{x}_k\|^2$$

obs in k^{th} cluster

$\bar{x}_k \in \mathbb{R}^P$

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$$\|a\|^2 = a^T a$$

$$\|x_i - x_{i'}\|^2 = \|x_i - \bar{x}_k + \bar{x}_k - x_{i'}\|^2$$

$$= (x_i - \bar{x}_k + \bar{x}_k - x_{i'})^T (- \dots)$$

$$\rightarrow (x_i - \bar{x}_k)^T (x_i - \bar{x}_k) + (\bar{x}_k - x_{i'})^T (\bar{x}_k - x_{i'}) + 2(x_i - \bar{x}_k)^T (\bar{x}_k - x_{i'})$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^K \left[\sum_{i, i' \in G_k} \|x_i - \bar{x}_k\|^2 + \|x_{i'} - \bar{x}_k\|^2 + 2 \sum_{i, i' \in G_k} (x_i - \bar{x})^T (\bar{x} - x_{i'}) \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i \in G_k} \sum_{i' \in G_k} (\|x_i - \bar{x}_k\|^2 + \|x_{i'} - \bar{x}_k\|^2) \quad \sum (x_i - \bar{x}) = 0$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^K \left[\left(\sum_i \sum_{i'}^{N_k} \|x_i - \bar{x}_k\|^2 \right) + \left(\sum_{i'} \sum_i^{N_k} \|x_{i'} - \bar{x}_k\|^2 \right) \right]$$

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$$= \sum_{k=1}^K N_k \sum_{i \in G_k} \|x_i - \bar{x}_k\|^2$$

$$= \text{TWCS}$$

Proposed Lloyd's Algorithm:

$$t=1, 2, 3, \dots$$

Update (1) $\mu_k^{(t)} = \frac{1}{N_k} \sum_{i \in G_k^{(t)}} x_i$

Assign (2) $G_k^{(t)} = \{x_i \mid \|x_i - \mu_k^{(t)}\| \leq \|x_i - \mu_{k'}^{(t)}\| \forall k'\}$

Why does Lloyd's work?

Problem:

$$\hat{G}_1, \dots, \hat{G}_K = \underset{G_1, \dots, G_K}{\operatorname{argmin}} \sum_k N_k \sum_{i \in G_k} \|x_i - \bar{x}_k\|^2$$

Generalize Problem

$$\rightarrow \min_{G_1, \dots, G_K, \underbrace{m_1, \dots, m_K}_{\text{Centers}}} \underbrace{\sum_k N_k \sum_{i \in G_k} \|x_i - m_k\|^2}_W$$

\rightarrow Fact: $\bar{x} = \underset{m}{\operatorname{argmin}} \|x_i - m\|^2$

Step (1) Given G 's, set $m_k = \bar{x}_k$

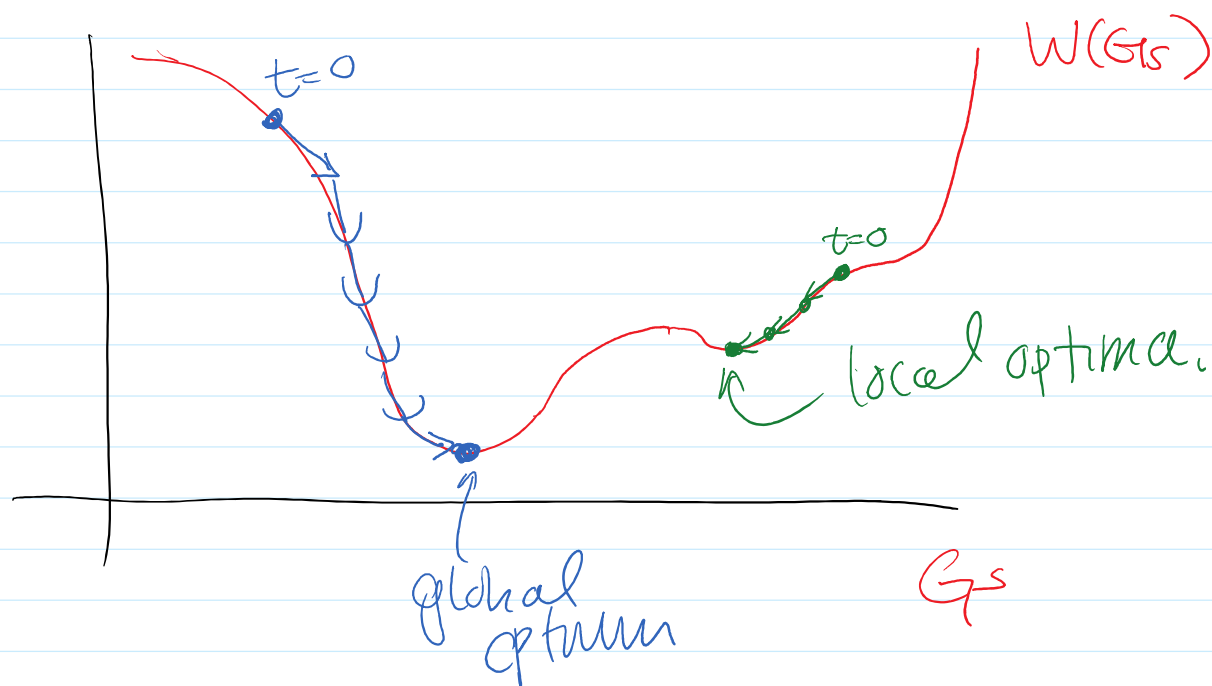
this reduces W

Step (2) Given M_s , choose G_s as pts closest to M_s , this reduces W

So at each step this makes W smaller.

HOWEVER

We don't nec. get to globally optimum soln.



Soln: Try several random initializations
take soln w/ lowest W .

non-numeric data.

What about non-numeric data?

Just have D ?

↪ non-Euclidean dist/
dissim.

K-Medoids

Soln! Replace step (1) (update means)

by setting $m_k = \text{pt in cluster closest to everything else in cluster}$

Step (1*) Find obs in cluster closest to others

$$\rightarrow i_k^* = \underset{i \in G_k}{\operatorname{argmin}} \sum_{i' \in G_k} D_{ii'}$$

↪ explicit optim problem

(2) Assignment step.

Object i goes in Group G_k if

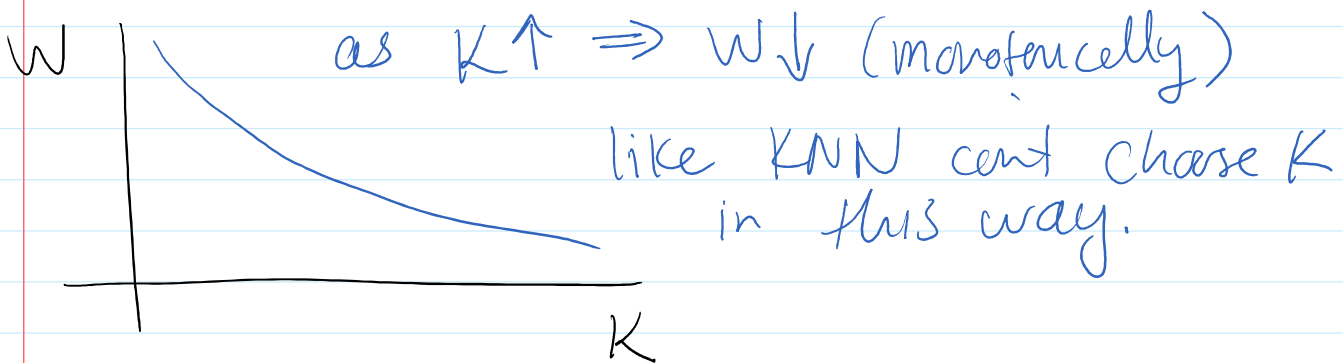
$$D_{ii_k^*} \leq D_{ii_{k'}^*} \quad \forall k'$$

Nice fact: No X , just D .

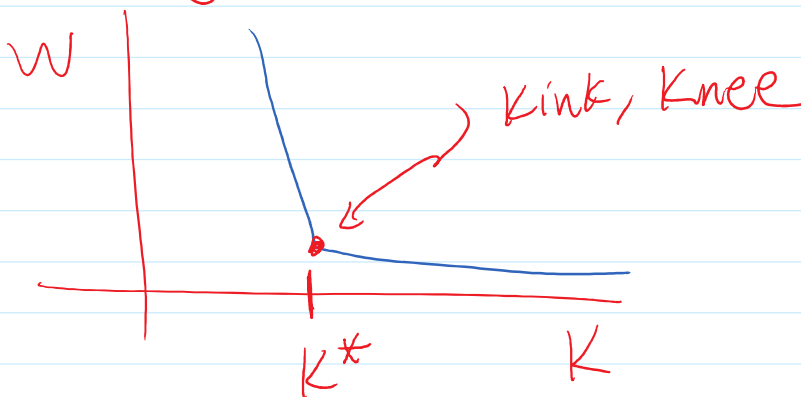
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Bad fact: more comp. intensive

How do I choose K ?



One way!

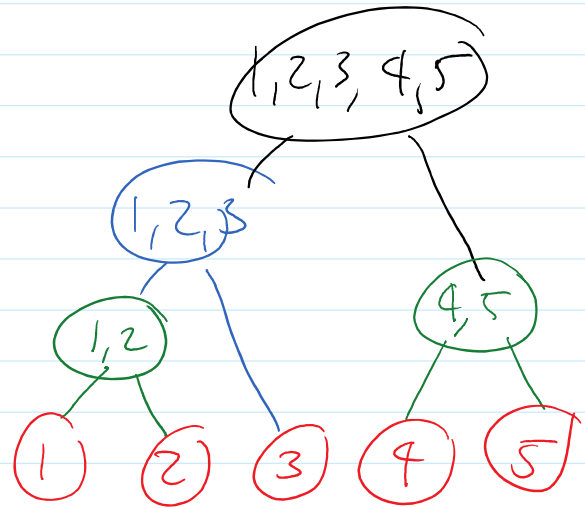
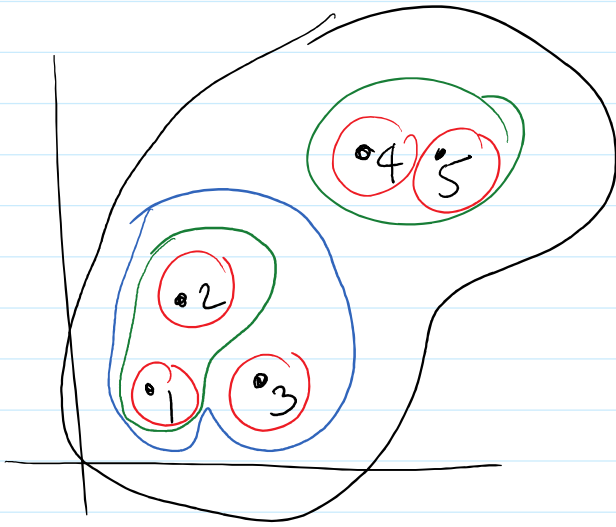


Hierarchical Clustering

Build a collection (hierarchically) of nested clusters.

① Agglomerative Clustering

- (i) start w/ clusters as individual pts
- (ii) merge clusters that are "similar" or "close"
- (iii) recursively repeat until everything is in one cluster.



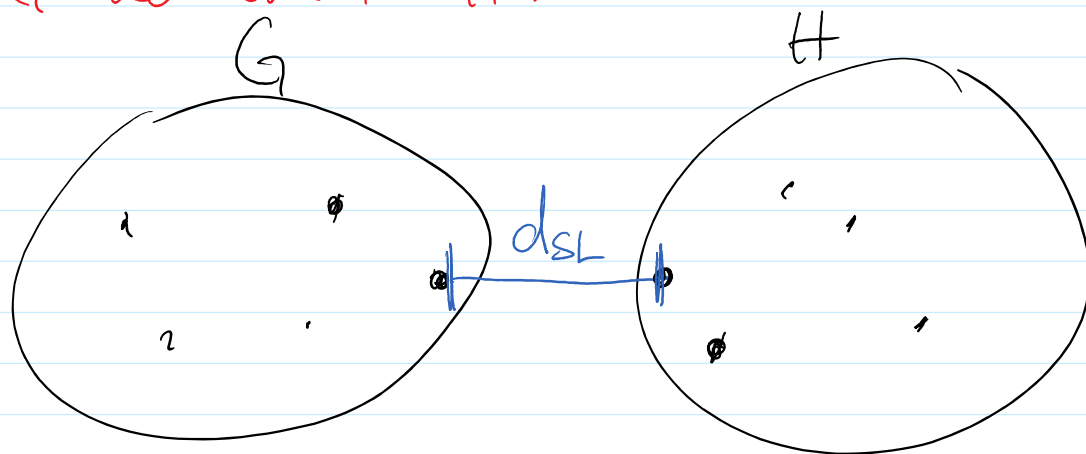
② Divisive Clustering (opposite)

- ① start w/ 1 large cluster
- ② recursively break into smaller clusters

To do agglomerative clustering we need a measure of "closeness" between clusters.
"similarity"

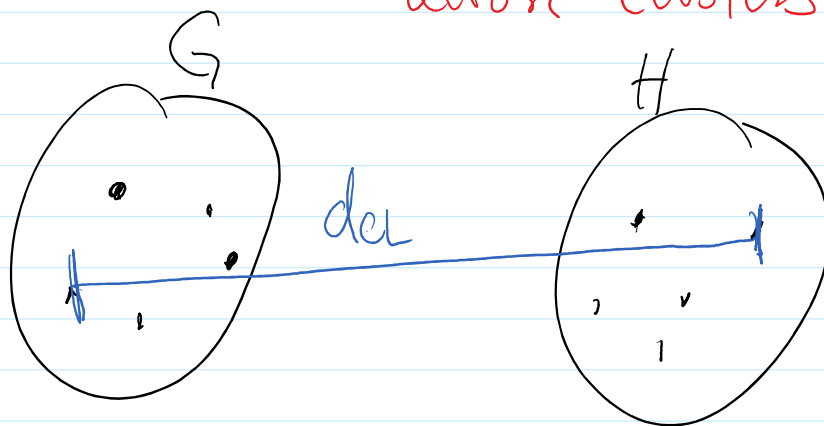
① Single Linkage: dist. b/w clusters G and H is the min dissim b/w any 2 pts:

one in G and one in H .



$$d_{SL}(G, H) = \min_{\substack{i \in G \\ i' \in H}} D_{ii'}$$

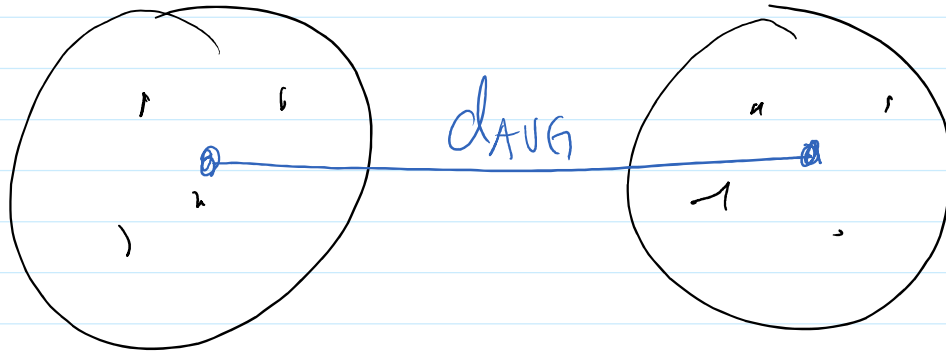
② Complete Linkage: max dissim btwn 2 pts across clusters



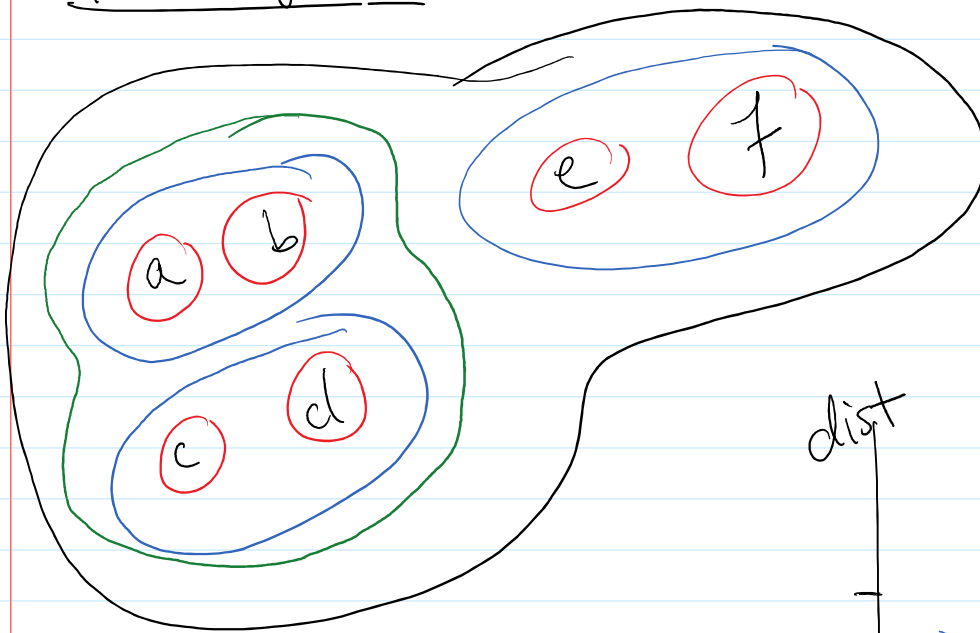
$$d_{CL}(G, H) = \max_{\substack{i \in G \\ i' \in H}} D_{ii'}$$

③ Average Linkage: avg dissim btwn clust.

$$d_{\text{AVG}}(G, H) = \frac{1}{N_G N_H} \sum_{i \in G} \sum_{i' \in H} D_{ii'}$$



Dendrogram



dist dendrogram

