

Assignment 5

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Aim:-

Implement k-means clustering/hierarchical clustering on sales-data-sample.csv dataset, determine the number of clusters using the elbow method.

Requirements:-

Python, Jupyter notebook, python installations, python libraries- pandas, sklearn, matplotlib.

Theory:-

K-means clustering is an unsupervised learning algorithm, which groups the unlabelled dataset into different clusters.

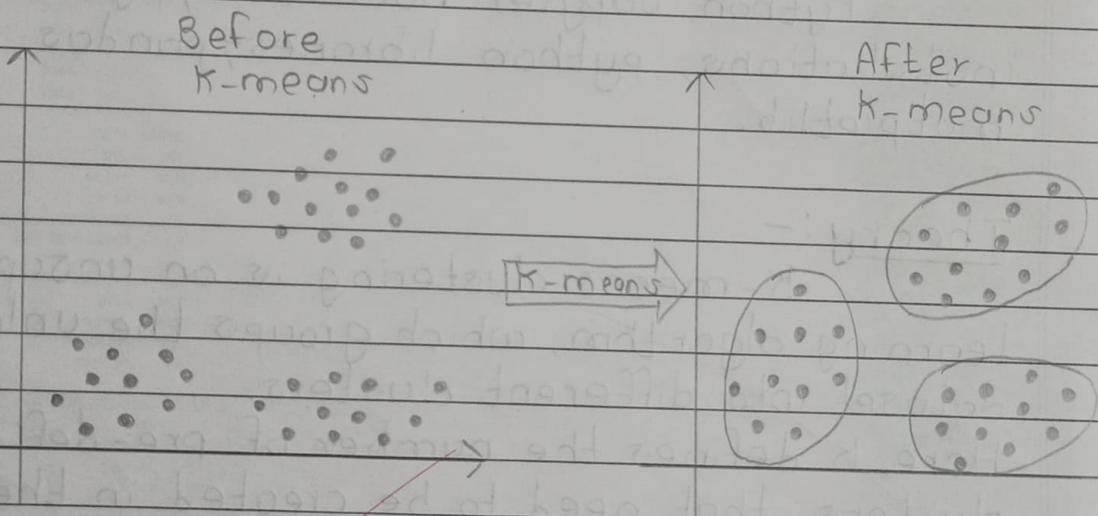
Here, k defines the number of pre-defined clusters that need to be created in the process, as if $k=2$, there will be two clusters, and for $k=3$, there will be three clusters and so on.

It allows us to cluster the data into different groups and a convenient way to discover the categories of groups in the unlabelled dataset on its own without the need for any training.

It is a centroid-based algorithm, where each cluster is associated with a centroid. The main aim of this algorithm is to minimize the sum of distances between the data point and their corresponding clusters.

The K -means clustering algorithm mainly perform two tasks :-

- Determines the best value for K center points or centroids by an iterative process.
- Assigns each data point to its closest K -center. Those data points which are near to the particular K -center, create a cluster.



Step 1: Select the number ' K ' to decide the number of clusters.

Step 2: Select random ' K ' points or centroids.

Step 3: Assign each data point to their closest centroid, which will help form the predefined ' K ' clusters.

Step 4: Calculate the variance and place a new centroid of each cluster.

Step 5: Repeat the third step.

Step 6: If any reassignment occurs, then go to step-4 else go to FINISH.

Step 7: The model is ready.

Data Pre-processing:

Data pre-processing is a process of preparing the raw data and making it suitable for a machine learning model.

Steps:-

- 1) Getting the dataset.
- 2) Importing libraries.
- 3) Finding missing data.
- 4) Encoding categorical data.
- 5) Splitting dataset into training and testing.

Data Transformation:

Data transformation is the process of converting raw data into a format that would be more suitable for model building and also data discovery in general.

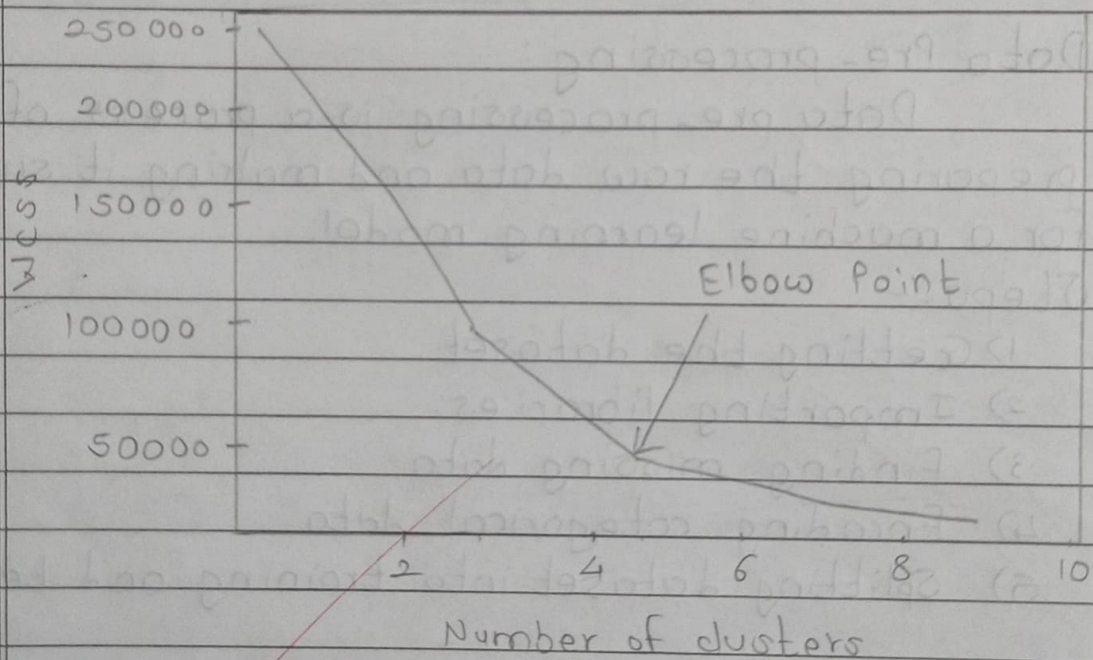
Data Reduction:

The number of input features, variables or columns present in a given dataset is known as dimensionality and process of to reduce these features is called dimensionality reduction.

Elbow Method:

In Elbow method, we are actually varying the no. of clusters (k) for each value of k , we are calculating WCSS.

WCSS is the sum of squared distance between each point and the centroid in a cluster.



Conclusion:-

Hence, we have successfully implemented k-means clustering algorithm.