Lab 4

Introduction

PCA/Clustering

This marks the first <u>unsupervised learning (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Unsupervised_learning)</u> lab. There are several aspects to unsupervised learning:

- · Data has no labels
- The goal is to find structure
- · The most "popular" aspect is clustering
- · It also includes dimensionality reduction and feature extraction

This lab will focus on dimensionality reduction via PCA

(http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Principal_component_analysis) (Principal Component Analysis (http://scikit-learn.org/stable/modules/generated/sklearn.decomposition.PCA.html)). As well as an introduction to K-means (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/K-means_clustering) clustering.

Lab

In this lab you, as analyst, have a list of domains and the related blacklists they appear on. In addition some of these domains were responsible for sending a file to the client. These files have been run through VirusTotal (https://www.virustotal.com/) and the AV results are also available with the domains. The goal is to explore the data, find some structure and attempt to find a way to gain confidence in what domains are more malicious as a means of prioritization. As with any type of data exploration, it's not a silver bullet but perhaps you'll gain an understanding of the data

Exercises

File Input - Blacklist Data

The data for the lab is contained in *host_detections.csv* and has columns: *host*, *detections*, and *detection_count*.

```
In [1]: import pandas as pd

df = pd.read_csv('host_detections.csv', header=1, names=['host','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections','detections
```

I had to check the solution manual to see how the data was read into a dataframe since it has a header. I was getting a TypeError because I imported the data incorrectly.

Cleanup - Blacklist Data

Drop the duplicates on the df dataframe, for column host

```
In [2]: df.drop_duplicates(subset='host', inplace=True)
```

Since inplace=True, rows will be dropped when there are duplicates of host values.

https://www.geeksforgeeks.org/python-pandas-dataframe-drop_duplicates/ (https://www.geeksforgeeks.org/python-pandas-dataframe-drop_duplicates/)

```
In [3]: df.head()
```

Out[3]:

	host	detections	detection_count
0	02b123c.netsolhost.com	0	0
1	0hb.ru	[u'MyWOT', u'SURBL', u'BitDefender']	3
2	0lilioo0l0o00lilil.info	[u'MyWOT', u'SCUMWARE', u'SURBL', u'hpHosts',	7
3	0n1u4og97yt85sy8faitxwt.addirectory.org	0	0
4	0td4nbde7.ttl60.com	[u'SpamhausDBL', u'BitDefender']	2

I have added df.head() to take a peek at the data.

This next section cleans up the detections column. It removes the text formatting and puts the information into a Python list, and places the Python list back into the dataframe in place of the text. It also creates a multi-dimensional list that represents the the various blacklists and if there was a hit for the domain 1* or not *0.

```
In [4]: black_list_sources = set()
def get_list(x):
    detections = []
    if not (len(x) == 1 and int(x) == 0):
        x = x.replace(" ", "")
        x = x.replace("u'", "")
        x = x.replace("i", "")
        x = x.replace("[", "")
        x = x.replace("[", "")
        x = x.replace("]", "")
        [black_list_sources.add(i) for i in x.split(',') if len(i) > 1]
        [detections.append(i) for i in x.split(',') if len(i) > 1]
        return detections
df.detections = df.detections.apply(lambda x: get_list(x))
```

In [5]: df.head()

Out[5]:

	host	detections	detection_count
0	02b123c.netsolhost.com	0	0
1	0hb.ru	[MyWOT, SURBL, BitDefender]	3
2	0lilioo0l0o00lilil.info	[MyWOT, SCUMWARE, SURBL, hpHosts, DrWeb, Googl	7
3	0n1u4og97yt85sy8faitxwt.addirectory.org	0	0
4	0td4nbde7.ttl60.com	[SpamhausDBL, BitDefender]	2

The detections column is cleaned up.

Join the resulting multi-dimensional list to the "side" of the existing dataframe.

You can see the host **02b123c.netsolhost.com** has 0 detections, and has *0s in place for all of the blacklist values. Where *0lilioo0l0o00lilil.info** has 7 detections and a *1* in place of it's detections (e.g. hpHosts).

```
In [6]: df = df.join(pd.DataFrame(index=df.index, columns=black_list_sources), rsuffix='
df = df.fillna(0)
for i in df.index:
    for x in df.xs(i)['detections']:
        df.loc[i, x] = 1
df.head()
```

Out[6]:

	host	detections	detection_count	PhishTank	DrWeb	Malwa
0	02b123c.netsolhost.com		0	0	0	
1	0hb.ru	[MyWOT, SURBL, BitDefender]	3	0	0	
2	0lilioo0l0o00lilil.info	[MyWOT, SCUMWARE, SURBL, hpHosts, DrWeb, Googl	7	0	1	
3	0n1u4og97yt85sy8faitxwt.addirectory.org		0	0	0	
4	0td4nbde7.ttl60.com	[SpamhausDBL, BitDefender]	2	0	0	

5 rows × 31 columns

This loop is placing ones for each of blacklist service (column) listed in the array from the detections column.

1. Changed .ix to .loc due to deprecation warning for .ix:

DeprecationWarning: .ix is deprecated. Please use .loc for label based indexing or .iloc for positional indexing

2. Added a suffix in df.join because of ValueError message: ValueError: columns overlap but no suffix specified:

https://stackoverflow.com/questions/26645515/pandas-join-issue-columns-overlap-but-no-suffix-specified (https://stackoverflow.com/questions/26645515/pandas-join-issue-columns-overlap-but-no-suffix-specified)

```
In [7]: list(df.columns.values)
Out[7]: ['host',
          'detections',
          'detection_count',
          'PhishTank',
          'DrWeb',
          'MalwarePatrol',
          'DShield',
          'urlQuery',
          'Fortinet',
          'SCUMWARE',
          'BitDefender',
          'Malc0de',
          'BrowserDefender',
          'DNS-BH',
          'ThreatLog',
          'Quttera',
          'AVGThreatLabs',
          'MyWOT',
          'MalwareDomainList',
          'Sucuri',
          'SpamhausDBL',
          'GoogleSafeBrowsing',
          'None',
          'Avira',
          'YandexSafeBrowsing',
          'z_protect',
          'CRDF',
          'URLVir',
          'hpHosts',
          'SURBL',
          'ZeuSTracker']
```

Above lists all of the columns for the dataframe df after the join.

http://www.datasciencemadesimple.com/get-list-column-headers-column-name-python-pandas/(http://www.datasciencemadesimple.com/get-list-column-headers-column-name-python-pandas/)

File Input - VirusTotal

The data is in a file named *mal_domains.csv* and has columns: *host*, *count*, and *detections*. This data has been pre-processed to save some pain on parsing and assembling massive amounts of JSON data.

```
In [8]: av_domains = pd.read_csv('mal_domains.csv', header=1, names=['host','count','dete
av_domains.head()
```

Out[8]:

	host	count	detections
0	aiwrm.dnepr.com	37	MicroWorld-eScan,nProtect,CAT-QuickHeal,McAfee
1	bgueeew.tk	34	$n Protect, CAT-Quick Heal, McAfee, The Hacker, NOD 32, \dots \\$
2	hysteonlinexp.com	48	Bkav, MicroWorld-eScan, nProtect, CAT-QuickHeal, M
3	csancho.info	28	n Protect, McAfee, The Hacker, K7Anti Virus, Virus Bus
4	fictinwise.cu.cc	48	Bkav,MicroWorld-eScan,nProtect,K7AntiVirus,Agn

Import the data to av domains as it is used the next cell block for cleanup.

Use .head() to take a peek at the data before cleanup.

Cleanup - VirusTotal

Similar to the above we clean-up the detections column.

```
In [9]: av_list_sources = set()
def get_list(x):
    detections = []
    if not (len(x) == 1 and int(x) == 0):
        x = x.replace(" ", "")
        x = x.replace("u'", "")
        x = x.replace("'", "")
        x = x.replace("[", "")
        x = x.replace("[", "")
        x = x.replace("]", "")
        x = x.replace("]", "")
        [av_list_sources.add(i) for i in x.split(',') if len(i) > 1]
        [detections.append(i) for i in x.split(',') if len(i) > 1]
        return detections
av_domains.detections = av_domains.detections.apply(lambda x: get_list(x))
av_domains.head()
```

Out[9]:

	host	count	detections
0	aiwrm.dnepr.com	37	[MicroWorld-eScan, nProtect, CAT-QuickHeal, Mc
1	bgueeew.tk	34	[nProtect, CAT-QuickHeal, McAfee, TheHacker, N
2	hysteonlinexp.com	48	[Bkav, MicroWorld-eScan, nProtect, CAT-QuickHe
3	csancho.info	28	[nProtect, McAfee, TheHacker, K7AntiVirus, Vir
4	fictinwise.cu.cc	48	[Bkav, MicroWorld-eScan, nProtect, K7AntiVirus

A little massaging is necessary here because there are blacklists and AV engines that have the same name. This renames the columns and places an *av_* prefix to the name ensuring there are

no duplicates, and has the extra advantage of allow easy distinction in analysis.

Also, join the AV dataframe to the blacklist one created above.

```
In [10]:    new_cols = list(av_domains.columns)
    new_cols = ['av_' + x for x in new_cols]
    df = df.join(pd.DataFrame(index=df.index, columns=new_cols))
```

There was an error in creating new_cols:

TypeError: unsupported operand type(s) for -: 'str' and 'str'

Looks like host was being removed from the columns list: new_cols = av_domains.columns - ['host']

I changed new_cols to be a list of columns of av_columns and ran the code as is. I dropped the column, av host, in the next cell instead of playing around with immutable lists:

https://stackoverflow.com/questions/13411544/delete-column-from-pandas-dataframe (https://stackoverflow.com/questions/13411544/delete-column-from-pandas-dataframe)

```
In [11]: del df['av_host']
```

Delete the column av host from the dataframe df as it is not needed.

This is where the expansion, and then filling in of values, 1* for detection and *0 for no detection, happens.

```
In [13]: df[['host', 'av_count', 'av_detections']].head()
```

Out[13]:

av_detections	av_count	host	
NaN	NaN	02b123c.netsolhost.com	0
[Bkav, MicroWorld-eScan, McAfee, TheHacker, K7	36	0hb.ru	1
[F-Secure, AntiVir, ESET-NOD32, McAfee-GW-Edit	16	0lilioo0l0o00lilil.info	2
[F-Secure, DrWeb, VIPRE, AntiVir, TrendMicro,	32	0n1u4og97yt85sy8faitxwt.addirectory.org	3
[Bkav, MicroWorld-eScan, nProtect, CMC, CAT-Qu	46	0td4nbde7.ttl60.com	4

Changed .ix to .loc due to deprecation warning for .ix.

The values filled for av_count and av_detections came from the original count and detections columns that were in av_domains. Like before, the loop is placing ones for each antivirus software (column) listed in the array from the detections column.

https://stackoverflow.com/questions/11285613/selecting-multiple-columns-in-a-pandas-dataframe (https://stackoverflow.com/questions/11285613/selecting-multiple-columns-in-a-pandas-dataframe)

In [14]: df.av_detections = df.av_detections.apply(lambda x: [] if isinstance(x, float) or

In [15]: df[['host', 'av_count', 'av_detections']].head()

Out[15]:

	nost	av_count	av_detections
0	02b123c.netsolhost.com	NaN	
1	0hb.ru	36	Bkav
2	0lilioo0l0o00lilil.info	16	F-Secure
3	0n1u4og97yt85sy8faitxwt.addirectory.org	32	F-Secure
4	0td4nbde7.ttl60.com	46	Bkav

The av_detections column is modified so that each row reflects the first antivirus software listed in the detections array for a particular host.

In [16]: df = df.fillna(0)
#del df['None']

In [17]: | df.head()

Out[17]:

	host	detections	detection_count	PhishTank	DrWeb	Malwa
0	02b123c.netsolhost.com		0	0	0	
1	0hb.ru	[MyWOT, SURBL, BitDefender]	3	0	0	
2	0lilioo0l0o00lilil.info	[MyWOT, SCUMWARE, SURBL, hpHosts, DrWeb, Googl	7	0	1	
3	0n1u4og97yt85sy8faitxwt.addirectory.org	0	0	0	0	
4	0td4nbde7.ttl60.com	[SpamhausDBL, BitDefender]	2	0	0	

5 rows × 97 columns

For consistency's sake, set all of the columns but host, detections, and av_detections to type int

```
In [18]: int_cols = [x for x in list(df.columns) if not x in ['host','detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_detections','av_det
```

There was an error in creating int_cols: list(df.columns - ['host','detections','av_detections']) ValueError: operands could not be broadcast together with shapes (97,) (3,)

So, I created int_cols using a list comprehension. I did a sanity check in the next cell block.

https://realpython.com/list-comprehension-python/ (https://realpython.com/list-comprehension-python/) https://www.jquery-az.com/4-demos-python-if-not-and-not-in-operator/ (https://www.jquery-az.com/4-demos-python-if-not-and-not-in-operator/)

In [19]: df.dtypes

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Out[19]:	host	object
	detections	object
	detection_count	int32
	PhishTank	int32
	DrWeb	int32
	MalwarePatrol	int32
	DShield	int32
	urlQuery	int32
	Fortinet	int32
	SCUMWARE	int32
	BitDefender	int32
	Malc0de	int32
	BrowserDefender	int32
	DNS-BH	int32
	ThreatLog	int32
	Quttera	int32
	AVGThreatLabs	int32
	MyWOT	int32
	MalwareDomainList	int32
	Sucuri	int32
	SpamhausDBL	int32
	GoogleSafeBrowsing	int32
	None	int32
	Avira	int32
	YandexSafeBrowsing	int32
	z_protect	int32
	CRDF	int32
	URLVir	int32
	hpHosts	int32
	SURBL	int32
	av_AVG	 int32
	av_Panda	int32
	av_K7GW	int32
	av TrendMicro	int32
	av_nProtect	int32
	av_CMC	int32
	av_Malwarebytes	int32
	av_Baidu-International	int32
	av_Kingsoft	int32
	av SUPERAntiSpyware	int32
	av_Tencent	int32
	av Ad-Aware	int32
	av Qihoo-360	int32
	av_CAT-QuickHeal	int32
	av TotalDefense	int32
	_ av_Agnitum	int32
	av_Jiangmin	int32
	av_ViRobot	int32
	av_AhnLab-V3	int32
	av_ByteHero	int32
	av_VirusBuster	int32
	av_ClamAV	int32
	av_Avast5	int32
	av_Zillya	int32
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av_AegisLab	int32
av_Zoner	int32
av_AVware	int32
av_eScan	int32
av_Prevx	int32
av_McAfee+Artemis	int32
Length: 97, dtype: object	

Use .dtypes to check that types of the columns.

Take a look at the resulting dataframe, you'll see a similar structure to the one above.

The cell below shows how to print the dimensions of the dataframe, in this case it has 346 rows and 97 columns (e.g. dimensions). This is due to the selection clause, it looks for domains that have zero AV results against it, and more than one blacklist hit.

Try reversing the query *av_count* > 0 and *detection_count* == 0.

```
In [20]: print(df[(df['av_count'] == 0) & (df['detection_count'] > 0)].shape)
df[(df['av_count'] == 0) & (df['detection_count'] > 0)].head()

(346, 97)
```

Out[20]:

	host	detections	detection_count	PhishTank	DrWeb	MalwarePa
8	10056.r.gd	[MyWOT, BitDefender, BrowserDefender]	3	0	0	
55	1385065244.listentoy.com	[Avira]	1	0	0	
301	2505254263- 16.carstartling.co.vu	[BitDefender]	1	0	0	
384	4th.vitocedric.com	[BitDefender]	1	0	0	
420	50f6ef69cab60.lmcwellness.com	[BitDefender]	1	0	0	

5 rows × 97 columns

Modified print to print().

Out[21]:

	host	detections	detection_count	PhishTank	DrWeb	MalwareP
3	0n1u4og97yt85sy8faitxwt.addirectory.org		0	0	0	_
5	0v2.info	0	0	0	0	
6	0wu.ru		0	0	0	
7	0y1.ru	0	0	0	0	
12	108.61.43.150		0	0	0	

5 rows × 97 columns

This dataframe has 3219 rows and 97 columns, where it looks for domains that have more one AV results against it and zero hits from a blacklist.

In your exploration you might have run across an IP address or 2, let's split these up into two different dataframes. This will allow and apples-to-apples comparison.

```
In [22]: domains = df[~df.host.str.contains("^\d+\.\d+\.\d+\.\d+\")]
ips = df[df.host.str.contains("^\d+\.\d+\.\d+\.\d+\")]
```

The domains dataframe is anything that isn't an IP. The tilde is for filtering by boolean indexing:

https://inneka.com/programming/python/tilde-sign-in-python-dataframe-duplicate/ (https://inneka.com/programming/python/tilde-sign-in-python-dataframe-duplicate/)

How many elements (rows) are in each dataframe (domains, ips)?

```
In [23]: domains.shape
Out[23]: (5144, 97)
In [24]: ips.shape
Out[24]: (550, 97)
```

The domain dataframe has 5144 rows. The ips dataframe has 550 rows.

Analysis

The cell below pulls out the list of features what we want to use. In this case it's all of the columns that don't (or appear not to) add any value to the analysis. The hostname is what is being analyzed, the *detections* and *av_detections* are sparse text that can't be use in this lab, and the counts should be summed-up/accounted for by the presence or lack of a qualifying detection event (AV or blacklist).

```
In [25]: cols = [x for x in list(df.columns) if not x in ['host', 'detections', 'av_detections']
```

I created cols using a list comprehesion. The original code was list(domains.columns - ['host','detections','av detections','av count','detection count'])

K-Means Clustering

K-Means works on a fairly simple idea. You provide the algorithm with **K**, the number of clusters you think are in the dataset. The algorithm will attempt to find points that have the minimum distance to the other points, the centroids dictate the center of the cluster.

Below, the **K** for K-means was set to two. There are many ways to determine an optimal K, but for this exercise we're only interested in two labels, good and bad. By doing this we can guide the algorithm into picking two centers and giving us a "good" group and a "bad" group of domains.

The data is clustered two times. One time with both the blacklist and AV features, and another time with just the blacklist features. The labels for the clusters are stored in *bl_vt_labels* and *bl_labels* respectively. This allows an easy way to reference the labels without re-clustering the data later on.

You should add a third cluster section that stores the labels in *vt_labels*, and is only a cluster of columns from the AV set. Remember the AV results are prefixed with *av_* making the columns easy to pick out.

```
In [26]: #Initial labeling of the data with 2 different datasets (URLS + VT, and just URLS
         from sklearn.cluster import KMeans
         from sklearn.preprocessing import scale
         # Both Blacklist and AV columns
         X = domains[cols].to_numpy()
         k clusters = 2
         kmeans = KMeans(n_clusters=k_clusters)
         kmeans.fit(X)
         bl vt labels = kmeans.labels
         # Blacklist only columns
         bl cols = [x for x in cols if not 'av ' in x]
         X = domains[bl_cols].to_numpy()
         k clusters = 2
         kmeans = KMeans(n_clusters=k_clusters)
         kmeans.fit(X)
         bl labels = kmeans.labels
         # VirusTotal only columns
         vt cols = [x for x in cols if 'av ' in x]
         X = domains[vt_cols].to_numpy()
         k_{clusters} = 2
         kmeans = KMeans(n clusters=k clusters)
         kmeans.fit(X)
         vt labels = kmeans.labels
```

Kmeans clustering is an unsupervised machine learning method (no labels given to the algorithm for the classes) used for classification.

Modified domains.as_matrix(cols) to domains[cols].to_numpy(), domains.as_matrix(bl_cols) to domains[bl_cols].to_numpy(), and domains.as_matrix(vt_cols) to domains[vt_cols].to_numpy() because of warning: FutureWarning: Method .as_matrix will be removed in a future version. Use .values instead.

```
In [27]: print(bl_labels[:10])
    print(bl_vt_labels[:10])

[1 0 0 1 0 1 1 1 0 0]
    [0 1 0 1 1 1 1 0 0]
```

Modified print to print().

```
In [28]: bl_cols
Out[28]: ['PhishTank',
           'DrWeb',
           'MalwarePatrol',
           'DShield',
           'urlQuery',
           'Fortinet',
           'SCUMWARE',
           'BitDefender',
           'Malc0de',
           'BrowserDefender',
           'DNS-BH',
           'ThreatLog',
           'Quttera',
           'AVGThreatLabs',
           'MyWOT',
           'MalwareDomainList',
           'Sucuri',
           'SpamhausDBL',
           'GoogleSafeBrowsing',
           'None',
           'Avira',
           'YandexSafeBrowsing',
           'z_protect',
           'CRDF',
           'URLVir',
           'hpHosts',
           'SURBL',
           'ZeuSTracker']
```

The blacklist columns are shown above.

```
In [29]:
          vt_cols
Out[29]: ['av_Bkav',
           'av_MicroWorld-eScan',
           'av_McAfee',
           'av_TheHacker',
           'av_K7AntiVirus',
           'av_NOD32',
           'av_F-Prot',
           'av_Symantec',
           'av_Norman',
           'av_ESET-NOD32',
           'av_TrendMicro-HouseCall',
           'av_Avast',
           'av_eSafe',
           'av_Kaspersky',
           'av_BitDefender',
           'av_NANO-Antivirus',
           'av_Sophos',
           'av_Comodo',
           'av_F-Secure',
           'av_DrWeb',
           'av_VIPRE',
           'av_AntiVir',
           'av_McAfee-GW-Edition',
           'av_Emsisoft',
           'av_eTrust-Vet',
           'av_Antiy-AVL',
           'av_Microsoft',
           'av_GData',
           'av_Commtouch',
           'av_VBA32',
           'av_PCTools',
           'av_Rising',
           'av_Ikarus',
           'av_Fortinet',
           'av_AVG',
           'av_Panda',
           'av_K7GW',
           'av_TrendMicro',
           'av_nProtect',
           'av_CMC',
           'av_Malwarebytes',
           'av_Baidu-International',
           'av_Kingsoft',
           'av_SUPERAntiSpyware',
           'av_Tencent',
           'av_Ad-Aware',
           'av_Qihoo-360',
           'av_CAT-QuickHeal',
           'av_TotalDefense',
           'av_Agnitum',
           'av_Jiangmin',
           'av_ViRobot',
           'av_AhnLab-V3',
           'av_ByteHero',
           'av_VirusBuster',
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'av_ClamAV',
'av_Avast5',
'av_Zillya',
'av_AegisLab',
'av_Zoner',
'av_AVware',
'av_eScan',
'av_Prevx',
'av_McAfee+Artemis']
```

The AV columns are shown above.

Remember, the algorithm doesn't know what's malicious or not, so don't place any inherent value in a label of 1* or *0. It's only a label of what group the algorithm thinks the data belongs in. Although, you as an analyst, might be able to infer if it's in the malicious or benign cluster.

Below is a way to spot check domains, explore a couple more on your own. You can see what blacklists and AV engines, if any, are associated with the domain.

```
In [30]:
         d = "0lilioo0l0o00lilil.info"
         print("Domain %s has bl_label: %d" %(d, bl_labels[domains[domains['host'] == d].
         print("Domain %s has bl_vt_label: %d" %(d, bl_vt_labels[domains[domains['host']
         R = zip(list(domains.columns), domains[domains['host'] == d].values.tolist()[0])
         for r in R:
              if r[1] == 1:
                  print(r)
         Domain 0lilioo0l0o00lilil.info has bl label: 0
         Domain 0lilioo0l0o00lilil.info has bl_vt_label: 0
          ('DrWeb', 1)
          ('SCUMWARE', 1)
          ('DNS-BH', 1)
          ('MyWOT', 1)
          ('GoogleSafeBrowsing', 1)
          ('hpHosts', 1)
          ('SURBL', 1)
         ('av_McAfee', 1)
          ('av_K7AntiVirus', 1)
          ('av Symantec', 1)
          ('av_ESET-NOD32', 1)
          ('av_TrendMicro-HouseCall', 1)
          ('av_Avast', 1)
          ('av_Kaspersky', 1)
          ('av Sophos', 1)
          ('av_Comodo', 1)
          ('av F-Secure', 1)
          ('av_AntiVir', 1)
          ('av_McAfee-GW-Edition', 1)
          ('av Microsoft', 1)
          ('av_Ikarus', 1)
          ('av AVG', 1)
          ('av K7GW', 1)
```

Modified print to print().

The value for bl_label and bl_vt_label is a prediction from the algorithm of whether the domain is malicious or not. </font

```
d = "0n1u4og97yt85sy8faitxwt.addirectory.org"
In [31]:
         print("Domain %s has bl label: %d" %(d, bl labels[domains[domains['host'] == d].
         print("Domain %s has bl_vt_label: %d" %(d, bl_vt_labels[domains[domains['host']
         R = zip(list(domains.columns), domains[domains['host'] == d].values.tolist()[0])
         for r in R:
              if r[1] == 1:
                  print(r)
         Domain 0n1u4og97yt85sy8faitxwt.addirectory.org has bl label: 1
         Domain 0n1u4og97yt85sy8faitxwt.addirectory.org has bl_vt_label: 1
          ('av MicroWorld-eScan', 1)
          ('av McAfee', 1)
         ('av_Symantec', 1)
          ('av ESET-NOD32', 1)
          ('av_TrendMicro-HouseCall', 1)
          ('av_Avast', 1)
          ('av Kaspersky', 1)
          ('av_BitDefender', 1)
          ('av NANO-Antivirus', 1)
         ('av_Sophos', 1)
          ('av_F-Secure', 1)
          ('av_DrWeb', 1)
          ('av_VIPRE', 1)
          ('av_AntiVir', 1)
          ('av McAfee-GW-Edition', 1)
          ('av Emsisoft', 1)
          ('av Antiy-AVL', 1)
          ('av_Microsoft', 1)
          ('av GData', 1)
          ('av_Ikarus', 1)
          ('av_AVG', 1)
          ('av_Panda', 1)
          ('av_TrendMicro', 1)
          ('av_nProtect', 1)
          ('av_CMC', 1)
          ('av Malwarebytes', 1)
          ('av Baidu-International', 1)
          ('av_Kingsoft', 1)
          ('av SUPERAntiSpyware', 1)
          ('av_Tencent', 1)
          ('av Ad-Aware', 1)
          ('av Qihoo-360', 1)
```

```
In [32]: d = "02b123c.netsolhost.com"
    print("Domain %s has bl_label: %d" %(d, bl_labels[domains[domains['host'] == d].:
    print("Domain %s has bl_vt_label: %d" %(d, bl_vt_labels[domains[domains['host'] == d].values.tolist()[0])
    R = zip(list(domains.columns), domains[domains['host'] == d].values.tolist()[0])
    for r in R:
        if r[1] == 1:
            print(r)
```

```
Domain 02b123c.netsolhost.com has bl_label: 1
Domain 02b123c.netsolhost.com has bl vt label: 0
```

PCA

PCA is used for dimensionality reduction, one of the major advantages of this is being able to visualize data. Our current dataset has 92 features/dimensions, which unless you have super powers is pretty hard to visualize. One awesome use of PCA is to reduce these dimensions down into something that we as mortals can see.

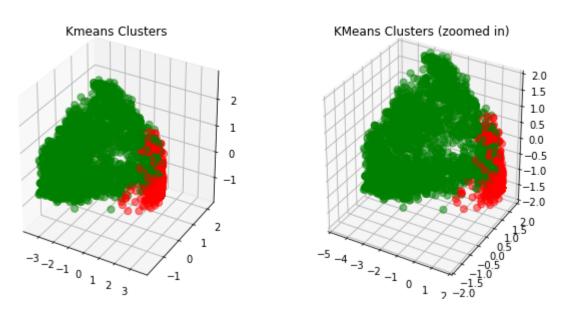
The first exercise is reducing all 92 dimensions down to three for easy and pretty graphing. The colors in the graph are set by the labels from the K-Means clustering above.

Do the same as the cell below but one set of graphs for the blacklist only data and one set of graphs for the VirusTotal only data. What kinds of patterns emerge?

Hint don't forget to use the right labels for the right columns.

```
In [34]:
         import pylab
         from matplotlib import pyplot as plt
         from sklearn.decomposition import PCA
         from mpl toolkits.mplot3d import Axes3D
         pylab.rcParams['figure.figsize'] = (16.0, 5.0)
         X = PCA(n components=3).fit transform(domains[cols].to numpy())
         colors = ['green' if x == 1 else 'red' for x in bl_vt_labels]
         figsize = (12,8)
         fig = plt.figure(figsize=plt.figaspect(.5))
         fig.suptitle("Exploding Tacos!")
         ax = fig.add subplot(1, 2, 1, projection='3d')
         ax.scatter(X[:,0], X[:,1], X[:,2], alpha=.5, color=colors, s=50)
         ax.set_title("Kmeans Clusters")
         ax = fig.add subplot(1, 2, 2, projection='3d')
         ax.set xlim(-5,2)
         ax.set_ylim(-2,2)
         ax.set_zlim(-2,2)
         ax.scatter(X[:,0], X[:,1], X[:,2], alpha=.5, color=colors, s=50)
         ax.set_title("KMeans Clusters (zoomed in)")
         plt.show()
```

Exploding Tacos!



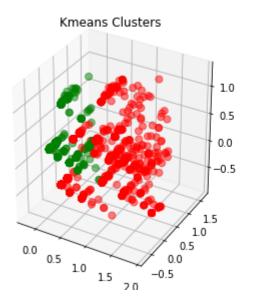
Modified domains.as_matrix(cols) to domains[cols].to_numpy(), domains.as_matrix(bl_cols) to domains[bl_cols].to_numpy(), and domains.as_matrix(vt_cols) to domains[vt_cols].to_numpy() because of warning: FutureWarning: Method .as_matrix will be removed in a future version. Use .values instead.

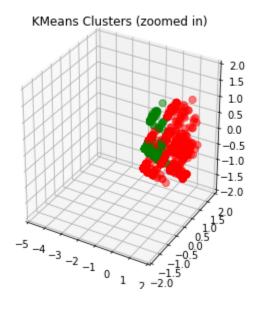
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```
In [35]: pylab.rcParams['figure.figsize'] = (16.0, 5.0)
         X = PCA(n_components=3).fit_transform(domains[bl_cols].to_numpy())
         colors = ['green' if x == 1 else 'red' for x in bl_labels]
         figsize = (12,8)
         fig = plt.figure(figsize=plt.figaspect(.5))
         fig.suptitle("Blacklist only data")
         ax = fig.add_subplot(1, 2, 1, projection='3d')
         ax.scatter(X[:,0], X[:,1], X[:,2], alpha=.5, color=colors, s=50)
         ax.set_title("Kmeans Clusters")
         ax = fig.add_subplot(1, 2, 2, projection='3d')
         ax.set_xlim(-5,2)
         ax.set_ylim(-2,2)
         ax.set zlim(-2,2)
         ax.scatter(X[:,0], X[:,1], X[:,2], alpha=.5, color=colors, s=50)
         ax.set_title("KMeans Clusters (zoomed in)")
         plt.show()
```

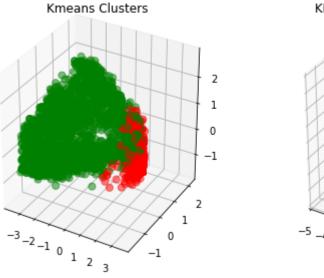
Blacklist only data

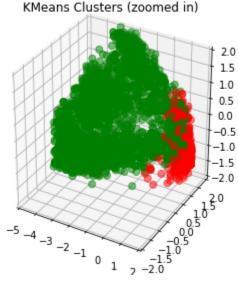




```
In [36]: pylab.rcParams['figure.figsize'] = (16.0, 5.0)
         X = PCA(n components=3).fit transform(domains[vt cols].to numpy())
         colors = ['green' if x == 1 else 'red' for x in vt labels]
         figsize = (12,8)
         fig = plt.figure(figsize=plt.figaspect(.5))
         fig.suptitle("Virustotal only data")
         ax = fig.add_subplot(1, 2, 1, projection='3d')
         ax.scatter(X[:,0], X[:,1], X[:,2], alpha=.5, color=colors, s=50)
         ax.set_title("Kmeans Clusters")
         ax = fig.add_subplot(1, 2, 2, projection='3d')
         ax.set_xlim(-5,2)
         ax.set_ylim(-2,2)
         ax.set zlim(-2,2)
         ax.scatter(X[:,0], X[:,1], X[:,2], alpha=.5, color=colors, s=50)
         ax.set_title("KMeans Clusters (zoomed in)")
         plt.show()
```

Virustotal only data

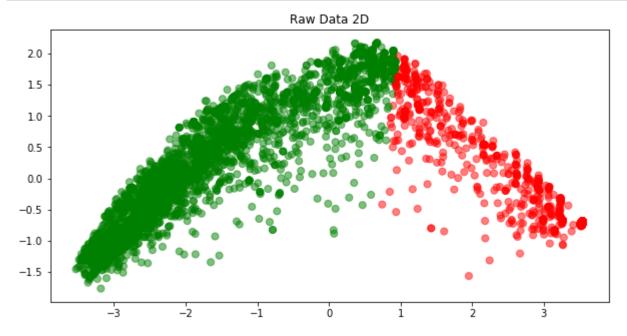




Now that you're a wiz at reducing various dimensions to three, it's possible to reduce down to two and graph that. Perhaps some more or different structure will pop out at you.

Once again the blacklist and VirusTotal scenario is done for you, do the same as above and examine the blacklist only and VirusTotal cases in 2D.

```
In [37]: colors = ['green' if x == 1 else 'red' for x in bl_vt_labels]
DD = PCA(n_components=2).fit_transform(domains[cols].to_numpy())
figsize = (12,8)
fig = plt.figure(figsize=plt.figaspect(.5))
ax = fig.add_subplot(1, 1, 1)
ax.scatter(DD[:,0], DD[:,1], s=50, alpha=.5, color=colors)
ax.set_title("Raw Data 2D")
plt.show()
```



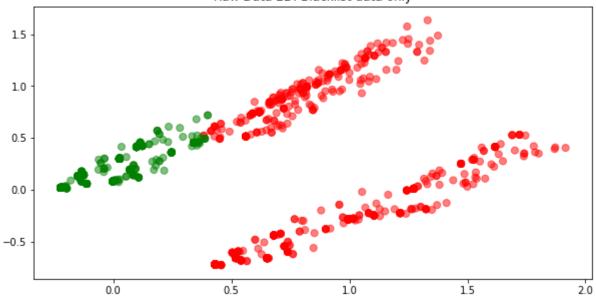
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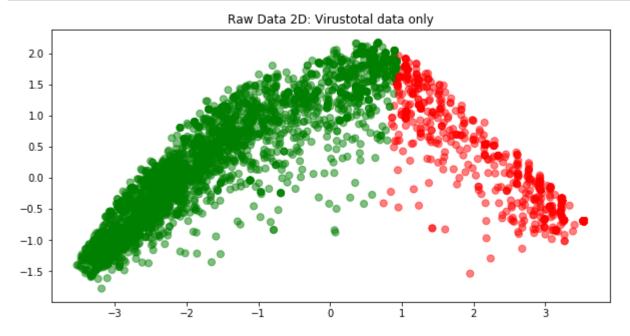
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```
In [38]: colors = ['green' if x == 1 else 'red' for x in bl_labels]
DD = PCA(n_components=2).fit_transform(domains[bl_cols].to_numpy())
figsize = (12,8)
fig = plt.figure(figsize=plt.figaspect(.5))
ax = fig.add_subplot(1, 1, 1)
ax.scatter(DD[:,0], DD[:,1], s=50, alpha=.5, color=colors)
ax.set_title("Raw Data 2D: Blacklist data only")
plt.show()
```

Raw Data 2D: Blacklist data only



```
In [39]: colors = ['green' if x == 1 else 'red' for x in vt_labels]
DD = PCA(n_components=2).fit_transform(domains[vt_cols].to_numpy())
figsize = (12,8)
fig = plt.figure(figsize=plt.figaspect(.5))
ax = fig.add_subplot(1, 1, 1)
ax.scatter(DD[:,0], DD[:,1], s=50, alpha=.5, color=colors)
ax.set_title("Raw Data 2D: Virustotal data only")
plt.show()
```



These 2D plots show that there is a clear separation between the red (zero's) and green (one's) clusters.

1D

Our last stop on this journey is 1D. The insights gained by visualizing the data in both three and two dimensions can be pretty helpful. As the beginning of the lab stated our goal is to create some kind of ranking or prioritization of the domains which is just a one-dimensional task. We'll cheat a little bit since looking at a list of numbers isn't that pretty. We'll cheat a bit for the graphing and plot our points along the X-axis with a Y value of 0 for each point.

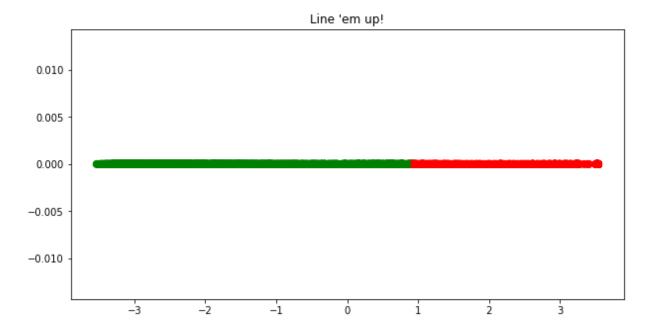
The case of all the features has been provided for you, repeat the process for blacklist only and AV only.

```
In [40]: import numpy as np

colors = ['green' if x == 1 else 'red' for x in bl_vt_labels]
D = PCA(n_components=1).fit_transform(domains[cols].to_numpy())
print(len(D))
DD = np.ndarray(shape=(len(D),2), dtype=float, order='F')
for i in range(0,len(D)):
    DD[i] = [D[i], 0.0]

figsize = (12,8)
fig = plt.figure(figsize=plt.figaspect(.5))
ax = fig.add_subplot(1, 1, 1)
ax.scatter(DD[:,0], DD[:,1], s=50, color=colors)
ax.set_title("Line 'em up!")
plt.show()
```

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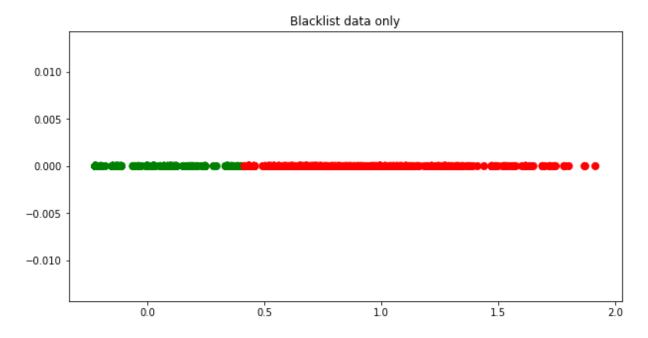
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```
In [41]: colors = ['green' if x == 1 else 'red' for x in bl_labels]
D = PCA(n_components=1).fit_transform(domains[bl_cols].to_numpy())
print(len(D))
DD = np.ndarray(shape=(len(D),2), dtype=float, order='F')
for i in range(0,len(D)):
    DD[i] = [D[i], 0.0]

figsize = (12,8)
fig = plt.figure(figsize=plt.figaspect(.5))
ax = fig.add_subplot(1, 1, 1)
ax.scatter(DD[:,0], DD[:,1], s=50, color=colors)
ax.set_title("Blacklist data only")
plt.show()
```

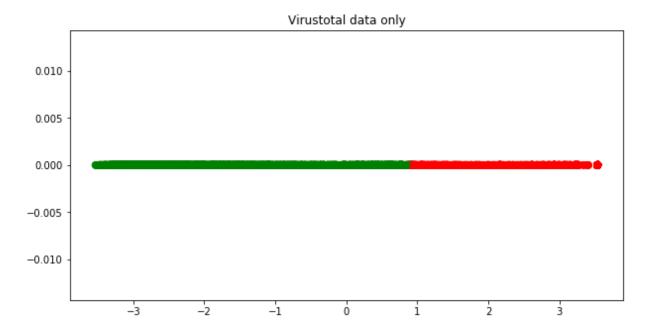
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```
In [42]: colors = ['green' if x == 1 else 'red' for x in vt_labels]
D = PCA(n_components=1).fit_transform(domains[vt_cols].to_numpy())
print(len(D))
DD = np.ndarray(shape=(len(D),2), dtype=float, order='F')
for i in range(0,len(D)):
    DD[i] = [D[i], 0.0]

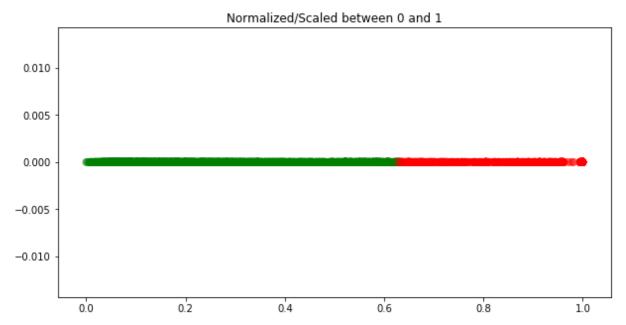
figsize = (12,8)
fig = plt.figure(figsize=plt.figaspect(.5))
ax = fig.add_subplot(1, 1, 1)
ax.scatter(DD[:,0], DD[:,1], s=50, color=colors)
ax.set_title("Virustotal data only")
plt.show()
```

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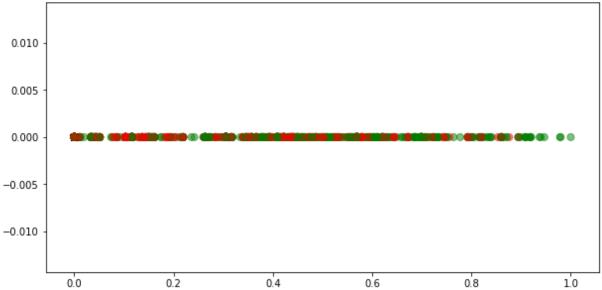


One of the final things we can do with this information is scale the feature returned by PCA in this instance. This shifts the data so all values are between zero and one. Giving a really nice scale.

The case of both AV and blacklist is once again provided, perform the same operation/graph for AV only and blacklist only.

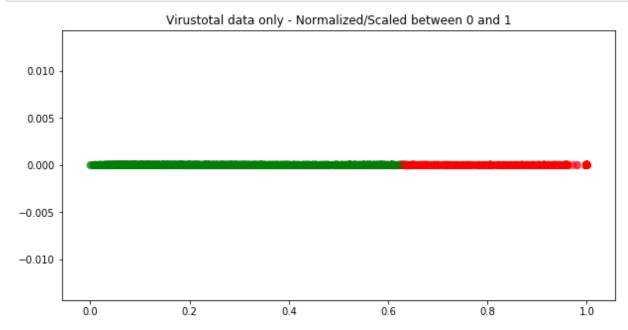






```
In [45]: D = PCA(n_components=1).fit_transform(domains[vt_cols].to_numpy())
D = [(x - D.min())/(D.max() - D.min()) for x in D]
DD = np.ndarray(shape=(len(D),2), dtype=float, order='F')
for i in range(0,len(D)):
    DD[i] = [D[i], 0.0]

figsize = (12,8)
fig = plt.figure(figsize=plt.figaspect(.5))
ax = fig.add_subplot(1, 1, 1)
ax.scatter(DD[:,0], DD[:,1], s=50, alpha=.5, color=colors)
ax.set_title("Virustotal data only - Normalized/Scaled between 0 and 1")
plt.show()
```



There didn't seem to be a distinction between the clusters in the Blacklist data only 1D plot.

Both of the other 1D plots showed that there is a clear separation between the red (zero's) and green (one's) clusters.

Putting It All Together

After doing all that work to attempt to order and group data, it's time to make use of the results. Remember, that the labels 0* and *1 are arbitrary so it will take assigning the values back and you interpreting the data to understand what's going on.

Here's one of the ways to assign and look at domains. This is just for the AV and blacklist results, so you should do the same with the other labels/values.

When does this seem to work, when does it seem to fail? How valuable do you think this kind of technique is?

```
In [50]: D = PCA(n_components=1).fit_transform(domains[cols].to_numpy())
D = [(x - D.min())/(D.max() - D.min()) for x in D]
domains.assign(bl_vt_scaled=D)
domains[['host','bl_vt_scaled']].head()
```

Out[50]:

Out[55]:

	host	bl_vt_scaled
0	02b123c.netsolhost.com	0.999260
1	0hb.ru	0.291844
2	0lilioo0l0o00lilil.info	0.644772
3	0n1u4og97yt85sy8faitxwt.addirectory.org	0.359059
4	0td4nbde7.ttl60.com	0.067429

Modified domains.as_matrix(cols) to domains[cols].to_numpy() because of warning: FutureWarning: Method .as_matrix will be removed in a future version. Use .values instead. Changed domains['bl_vt_scaled'] = D to domains.assign(bl_vt_scaled=D) because of warning: SettingWithCopyWarning: A value is trying to be set on a copy of a slice from a DataFrame. Try using .loc[row indexer,col indexer] = value instead

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```
In [51]:
         domains[domains['host'] == '0td4nbde7.ttl60.com'][['detections','detection count
Out[51]:
                          detections detection_count av_detections av_count
          4 [SpamhausDBL, BitDefender]
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                                                          Bkav
In [52]: | domains[domains['bl vt scaled'] == 1]['host'].unique()
Out[52]: array(['download.yspbrsz.net'], dtype=object)
In [53]:
          domains[domains['host'] == 'turningsbyterry.com'][['detections','detection_count
Out[53]:
            detections detection_count av_detections av_count
In [54]: | domains[domains['bl_vt_scaled'] == 0]['host'].unique()
Out[54]: array(['ww.turningsbyterry.com'], dtype=object)
         domains[domains['host'] == 'download.yspbrsz.net'][['detections','detection coun']
In [55]:
```

detections

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detection_count av_detections av_count

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I have not used MinMax scaling so I can't tell if it is a useful technique. So, I choose to not complete the rest of the exercises, but those solutions are available in the solutions manual.

https://rasbt.github.io/mlxtend/user_guide/preprocessing/minmax_scaling/ (https://rasbt.github.io/mlxtend/user_guide/preprocessing/minmax_scaling/)

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In []:	

Fin

Final Comment: This lab gave some hands-on experience with Kmeans and Principle Component Analysis (PCA). Both of these are common techniques used in machine learning. The graphs are great tools to visualize the clusters. I would recommend using 2D plots are these are easier to understand.

Despite all of the debugging, I have learned more about list comprehensions and manipulating dataframes. There are still fundamental principles missing from this lab that the reader should take care to understand: how to choose the clusters for Kmeans, how does Kmeans and PCA works, why should data be scaled, what are the advantages of using Kmeans versus other clustering methods, etc.