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confusion matrix: C(i,j) = the number of data points that belong to i-th true-cluster, but are clustered to j-th predicted cluster = true-cluster = predicted cluster You should play around with the k-means clustering to be familiar with these concepts.)																				
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Run AT&T Face Image. Total 40 images contains $X=(x1 \ x2 \ ... \ x40)$

Based on the above gound-truth labels and predicted cluster labels given by K-means, we compute confusion matrix

The results are:

10	0	0	0
0	0	0	10
0	5	5	0
0	6	4	0

Interpretation:

1st column: 10 images are clustered to the predicted-cluster 1. All of them belong to true-cluster 1.

2nd column: 11 images are clustered to the predicted-cluster 2; 5 of them belong to true-cluster 3; 6 of them belong to true-cluster 4.

etc

Running bipartite graph matching based using the graph edge weight matrix = confusion matrix, we obtain the column permutation:

column-index = [1 4 3 2].

This means:

column-4 should be permuted to column-2, i.e., predicted cluster 4 should be labeled as cluster 2 column-2 should be permuted to column-4, i.e., predicted cluster 2 should be labeled as cluster 4 Column indexes 1 and 3 should remain unchanged.

After this column index permutation, the confusion matrix becomes:

The accuracy = (10+10+5+6)/N = 0.775. Thus, out of 40 images, 31 are correctly clustered.

Explanation:

In any clustering algorithm, the final results are grouping, i.e., which data points are grouped to a group.

Data points (feature vectors) having the same cluster label are grouped into a cluster.

Exactly which group is labeled as Cluster 1, which group is labeled as cluster 2, etc, are completely un-determined.

But when assessing the quality of a clustering (a grouping), we need to re-label (permute predicted cluster labels) so that a predicted cluster is maximally related to a true cluster. This is achieved using bipartite matching.

The confusion matrix is a bipartite graph. We use Hungarian algorithm to permute columns of the confusion matrix to obtain the optimal matching.