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Question 1: Supervised vs. Unsupervised Learning (4 points)

For each of the following scenarios, select whether it is an example of supervised or unsupervised learning:

1. **A financial institution uses labeled data to predict whether a customer will default on a loan based on their credit history and income. (1p)**
a) **Supervised**
b) Unsupervised

2. **A self-driving car is trained to recognize pedestrians by processing large amounts of labeled images and video data. (1p)**
a) **Supervised**
b) Unsupervised

3. **A retailer uses a model to group customers into clusters based on purchasing patterns, without predefined labels, to personalize marketing strategies. (1p)**
a) Supervised
b) **Unsupervised**

4. **A healthcare provider builds a system that predicts disease progression by discovering hidden patterns in patient data without using labeled outcomes. (1p)**
a) Supervised
b) **Unsupervised**

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Question 2: Linear Regression and Model Evaluation (4 points)

You are given the following dataset about advertising spend and product sales, and you need to perform linear regression:

Advertising Spend (\$k)	Sales (units)
10	200
20	450
30	700
40	850
50	1000

1. What is the equation of the best fit line (linear regression) for this data? (2p)

a) $y = 20x + 100$

b) $y = 25x + 150$

c) $y = 15x + 150$

Your solution:

2. Based on the regression equation, predict the number of units sold if \$35k is spent on advertising. (1p)

a) 725

b) 780

c) 800

d) 900

e) Other -

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3. Which method could you use to evaluate the linear regression model's performance in predicting new data? (1p)
- a) Testing set error
 - b) Training set error
 - c) Euclidean distance
 - d) Classification accuracy

Question 3: K-Means Clustering (4 points)

You are given the following data points, each with two features:

Point	Feature 1	Feature 2
A	3	4
B	4	5
C	6	8
D	7	7
E	2	2
F	8	8
G	7	6
H	3	3

Assume the initial cluster centroids are Point B and Point F.

1. After the first iteration of K-Means, which points are assigned to Cluster 1 (centroid B)? (2p)
- a) A, B, H
 - b) A, B, E
 - c) A, B, H, E
 - d) B, C, D
 - e) Other -

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2. After the first iteration, what are the new centroids? (1p)

- a) (3.0, 3.5) and (7, 7.25)
- b) (3.5, 4.0) and (8.0, 8.0)
- c) (2.5, 3.5) and (7.0, 7.0)
- d) (4.0, 4.0) and (7.5, 7.5)
- e) Other -

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3. Which of the following is commonly used to determine the optimal number of clusters? (1p)

- a) Gradient descent
- b) **Silhouette score**
- c) Cross-validation
- d) Mean Absolute Error

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Question 4: Clustering analysis (4 points)

You used K-Means clustering on a retail customer dataset based on two features: income and spending habits. The algorithm produced the following clusters:

- **Cluster 1:** Low income, low spending.
- **Cluster 2:** High income, high spending.
- **Cluster 3:** Medium income, medium spending.

Answer the following questions:

1. Which cluster should be targeted for luxury product promotions? (1p)

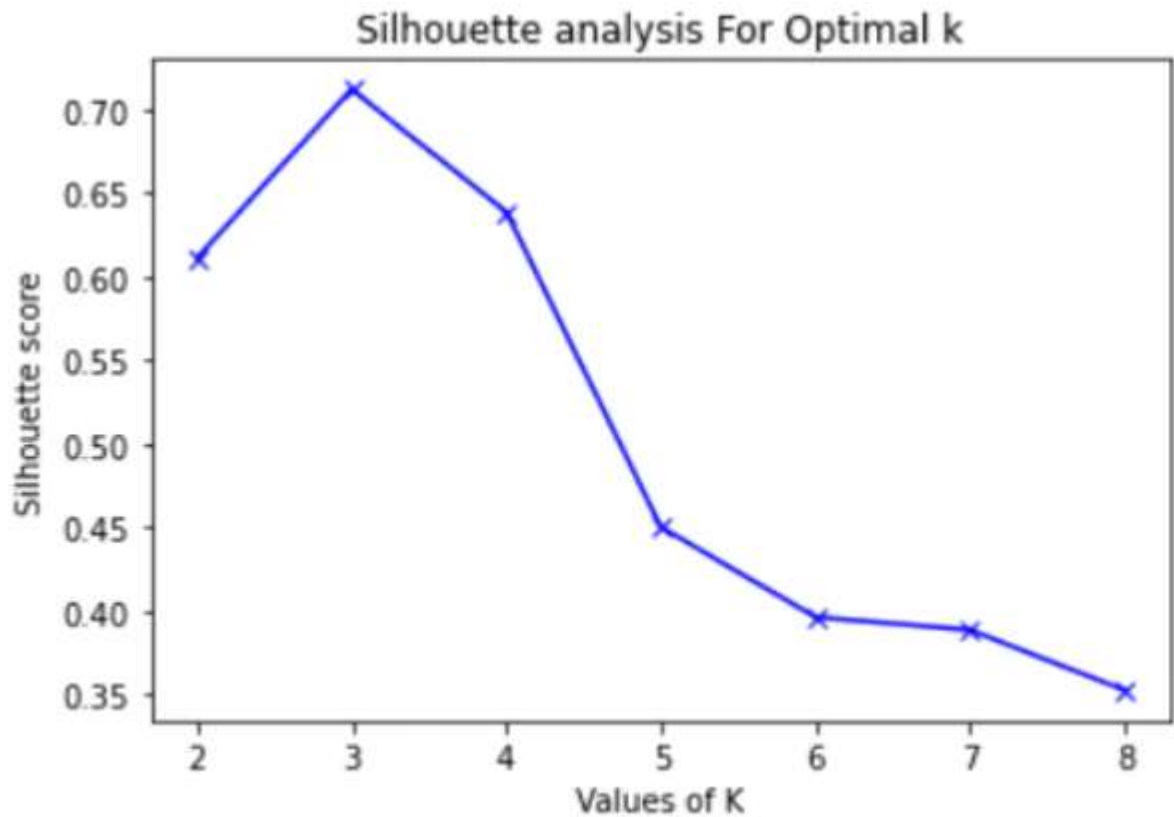
- a) Cluster 1
- b) Cluster 2**
- c) Cluster 3
- d) None of the above

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2. You have performed K-Means clustering on the dataset for various cluster numbers and calculated the Silhouette score.



Line plot between K and Silhouette score

Your goal is to estimate the optimal number of clusters. How many clusters would you pick? (2p)

- a) 2
- b) 3**
- c) 5
- d) 8

Why?

3. If the clusters are well-separated, what does this suggest about the customer groups? (1p)

- a) They have clear and distinct purchasing behaviors**
- b) They are very similar in spending habits
- c) The clusters are overlapping
- d) The clustering needs to be improved

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Question 5: K-Nearest Neighbors (KNN) Classification (4 points)

You are given the following data to classify whether a person is "Healthy" (Yes) or "Not Healthy" (No) based on their hours of exercise per week and calorie intake.

Person	Hours of Exercise	Calorie Intake	Healthy?
1	1	3500	No
2	5	2500	Yes
3	4	2000	Yes
4	2	4000	No

A new person has 3 hours of exercise and a calorie intake of 2800.

1. **Using KNN with $k=3$, what is the predicted classification for the new person? (2p)**

- a) Healthy
- b) Not Healthy

Your solution:

2. **If $k=1$, what is the predicted classification? (1p)**

- a) Healthy
- b) Not Healthy

Your solution:

3. **How does increasing the value of k affect the model's bias and variance? (1p)**

- a) Increases bias, decreases variance
- b) Decreases bias, increases variance
- c) Increases both bias and variance
- d) Decreases both bias and variance

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