**CSCI 4734 – Machine Learning**

**Spring 2019 – Homework 3**

***K-means clustering***

**Due date: March 9**, 2019

1. ***K*-means clustering**

In this this exercise, you will implement the K-means algorithm. You will experiment with an example 2D dataset that will help you gain an intuition of how the *K*-means algorithm works.

The *K*-means algorithm is a method to automatically cluster similar data examples together. Concretely, you are given a training set (where ), and want to group the data into a few cohesive “clusters”. The intuition behind *K*-means is an iterative procedure that starts by guessing the initial centroids, and then refines this guess by repeatedly assigning examples to their closest centroids and then recomputing the centroids based on the assignments.

The inner-loop of the algorithm repeatedly carries out two steps: (i) Assigning each training example to its closest centroid, and (ii) Recomputing the mean of each centroid using the points assigned to it. The *K*-means algorithm will always converge to some final set of means for the centroids. Note that the converged solution may not always be ideal and depends on the initial setting of the centroids. Therefore, in practice the *K*-means algorithm is usually run a few times with different random initializations. One way to choose between these different solutions from different random initializations is to choose the one with the lowest cost function value (distortion).

At the end, you may try to visualize your data to see whether your code works correctly (Figure 1).



Define indexes of classes for the following pairs:

0,3 5,2

2 4,4

1,1 5,2

5,2 2,9

5,3 3,3

6,1 2,8

**Your homework is divided into:**

10% - loading data

10% - visualization

50% - K-means algorithm from scratch

10% - testing

20% - Solve same problem by K-means algorithm using python library and test given pairs

**Note.** Submit homework solution in 2 files:

1) python file (.py or ipynb)  
2) word file containing your codes (copy your codes from python file and paste in the word file).

Furthermore, please, write your full name and homework assignment number in the FILE NAME.  Don't use Zip file.