

Fourth Industrial Summer School

Module 4: ML

Unsupervised Learning: Clustering Algorithms

Outlines

- ✓ Clustering algorithms
 - ✓ Centroid Based (K-means)
 - ✓ Clustering Validation
 - ✓ How to choose K for K-means
 - ✓ Sklearn implementation

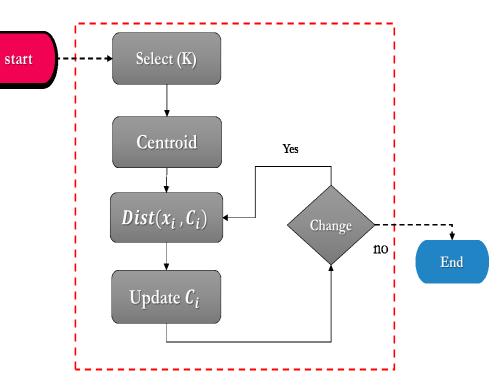


K-means Clustering

- The K-means algorithm by far is the most popular and widely used algorithm.
- K-means clustering algorithm is a machine learning technique used to identify distinct patterns or structures within unlabeled data.
- It is centroid-based (partition) algorithm
- \blacksquare The variable K represents the number of groups in the data.

K-means clustering algorithm

- 1. Choose (guess) the number of clusters *K*
- 2. Specify the cluster seeds (Initial Centroids)
- 3. Assign each point to a centroid based on distance
- 4. Adjust the centroids coordinates
- 5. Repeat the last two steps until no centroid updates.



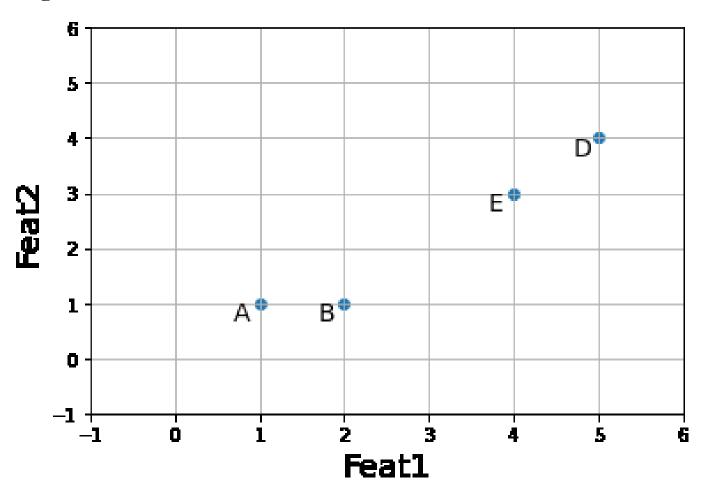
Quick numerical example

Suppose we have four samples, and each has two features (Feat1, and Feat2). Our goal is to gather them into groups (K = 2).

Points	Feat1 (x1)	Feat2 (x2)
Α	1	1
В	2	1
E	4	3
D	5	4

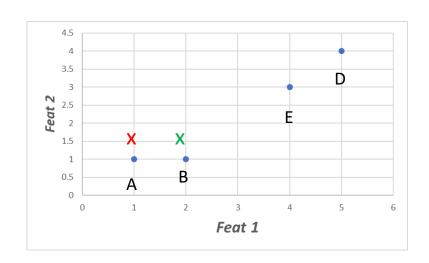
Quick numerical example

Plotting the data



Example

- Step 1: Select number of clusters: 2
- Step 2: Initial seed points, let us select A, and B points



$$C_{1} = (1,1), C_{2} = (2,1)$$

$$d(A, C_{1}) = \sqrt{(1-1)^{2} + (1-1)^{2}} = 0,$$

$$d(B, C_{1}) = \sqrt{(2-1)^{2} + (1-1)^{2}} = 1,$$

$$d(E, C_{1}) = \sqrt{(4-1)^{2} + (3-1)^{2}} = 3.61,$$

$$d(D, C_{1}) = \sqrt{(5-1)^{2} + (4-1)^{2}} = 5,$$

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$$d(B, C_{2}) = \sqrt{(2-2)^{2} + (1-1)^{2}} = 0,$$

$$d(E, C_{2}) = \sqrt{(4-2)^{2} + (3-1)^{2}} = 2.83,$$

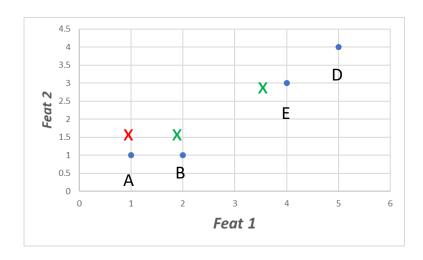
$$d(D, C_{2}) = \sqrt{(5-2)^{2} + (4-1)^{2}} = 4.24,$$

■ Step 3: Assign each point to a cluster with the nearest seed point

$$C_1 \Rightarrow \{A\}, C_2 \Rightarrow \{B, E, D\}$$

Example

■ Step 4: Adjust the centroids coordinates



Centroid: $C_1 = (1,1)$, No change!

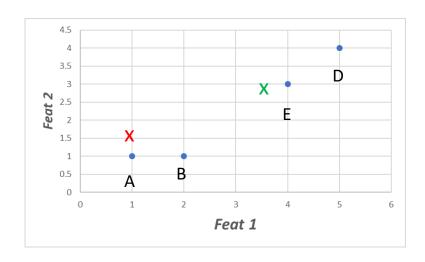
Centroid:
$$C_2 = \frac{2+4+5}{3}, \frac{1+3+4}{3}$$

 $C_2 = (3.66, 2.66)$

End of Iteration 1, repeat! (we have centroid change coordinates)

Example (Iteration 2)

■ Step 3: Assign each point to a cluster with the nearest seed point



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$$d(A, C_{2}) = \sqrt{(1-3.66)^{2} + (1-2.66)^{2}} = 3.13,$$

$$d(B, C_{2}) = \sqrt{(2-3.66)^{2} + (1-2.66)^{2}} = 2.35,$$

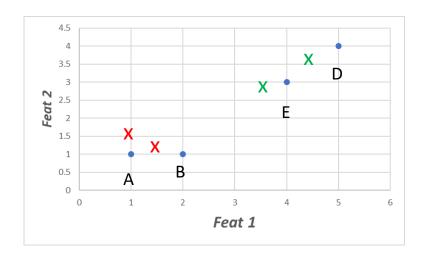
$$d(E, C_{2}) = \sqrt{(4-3.66)^{2} + (3-2.66)^{2}} = 0.48,$$

$$d(D, C_{2}) = \sqrt{(5-3.66)^{2} + (4-2.66)^{2}} = 1.89,$$

$$C_1 \Rightarrow \{A, B\}, C_2 \Rightarrow \{C, D\}$$

Example

■ Step 4: Adjust the centroids coordinates



Centroid:
$$C_1 = \frac{1+2}{2}, \frac{1+1}{2}$$

 $C_1 = (1.5, 1)$

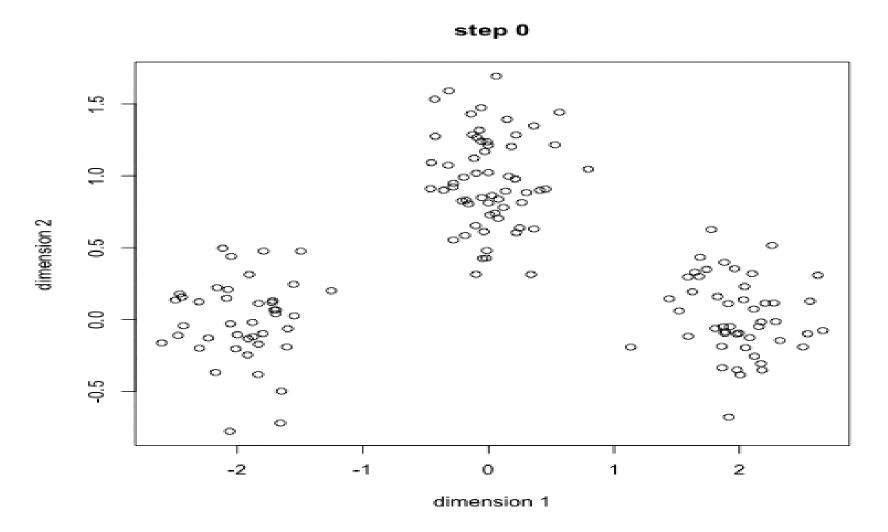
Centroid:
$$C_2 = \frac{4+5}{2}, \frac{3+4}{2}$$

 $C_2 = (4.5, 3.5)$

End of Iteration 2, repeat! (we have centroid change coordinates)

Iteration 3, Will introduce no change to clusters centroids, hence Convergence.

K-means Illustration (animi)



Scikit Learn - KMeans

■ Import KMeans

```
from sklearn.cluster import KMeans
```

■ Initialize KMeans and specify required parameters as needed

Fit it to a training data

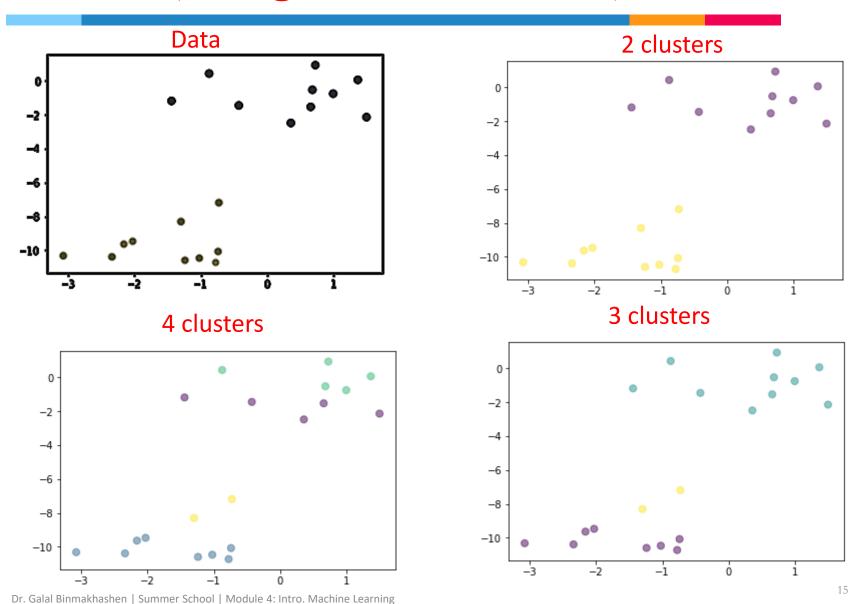
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# Incorrect number of clusters
kmeans.fit(X)
y_pred = kmeans.predict(X)
```

Kmeans Parameters and Attributes

Paramter	Description	Value	
n_clusters	The number of clusters to form	K	
init	Method for initialization	auto, random, manual	
n init	Number of time the k-means algorithm will be	10	
n_init	run with different centroid seeds	10	
max_iter	Maximum number of iterations	300	
4.01	Relative tolerance with regards to inertia to	1.00E-04	
tol	declare convergence		

Attribute	Description	
cluster_centers_	Coordinates of cluster centers	
labels_	Labels of each point	
inertia_	WSS	
n_iter_	Number of iterations run.	

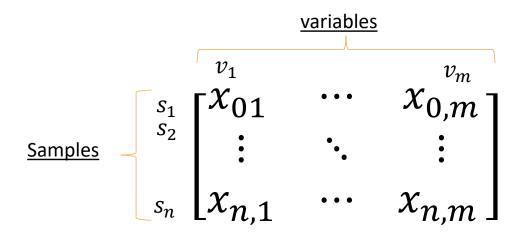
Results (using different K value)





Similarity:

• Given a structured data as shown below without labels, our task is to discover patterns (i.e., clusters)



If we pick two points (s_1, s_2) from the dataset, Then how can we decide if these two data points are similar?

Measurements: Dissimilarity

• One way to decide if the two points are similar is to measure the *distance* between them!

■ Distance Metric

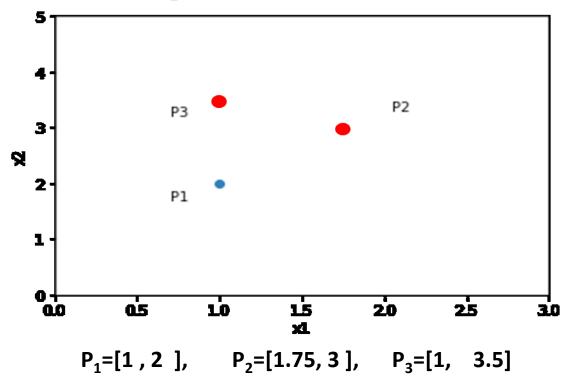
- Similar points tend to be close to each other, while dis-similar points are far from each other.
 - Value ≈ 0 means the datapoints are similar
 - The distance value ranges $[0, \infty)$

Distance Metric examples:

- Minkowski distance
- Euclidean distance: is equivalent Mink with q = 2
- Manhattan/Cityblock distance: is equivalent Mink with q=1

Distance Metric effect

- Does it have any effects on the results?
 - Suppose we have three points



Which of the two points *P2 or P3* is closer *P1*?

Distance Metric effect

• Given three points P_1 , P_2 and P_3 as:

$$P_1 = [1, 2], P_2 = [1.75, 3], P_3 = [1, 3.5]$$

- Compute *Euclidean* distances between P_1 to P_2 , and between P1 to P_3 ?
- Compute *Manhattan* (i.e. *Cityblock*) distances between P_1 to P_2 , and between P1 to P_3 ?

import sklearn.metrics.pairwise as pw

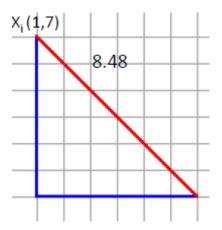
- use **euclidean_distances()** and **manhattan_distances()**

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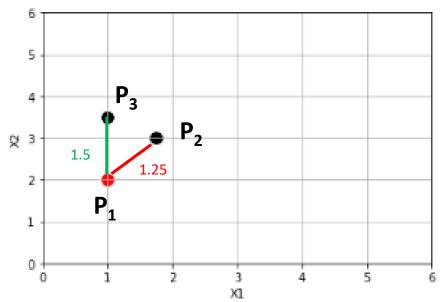
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d1 = pw.manhattan_distances(p1.reshape(-1,2), p2.reshape(-1,2))[0]
d2 = pw.manhattan_distances(p1.reshape(-1,2), p3.reshape(-1,2))[0]
if d1< d2:
    print('P2 is closer to P1: {}'.format(d1))
else:
    print('P3 is closer to P1: {}'.format(d2))</pre>
P3 is closer to P1: [1.5]
```

Differences in outcomes

Euclidean

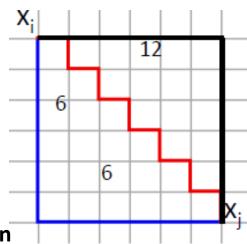


Euclidean

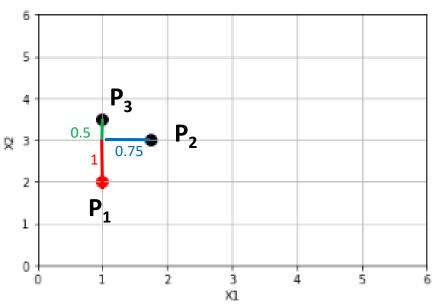


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Manhattan



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Clustering Validation

- The Effect of similarity metrics on results
- Clustering Validation (How good are the results?)
 - External Index
 - Internal Index

Clustering Validation

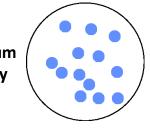
- A good clustering will produce high quality clusters
 - The intra-class similarity is high
 - The inter-class similarity is low
- Remember the clustering results, also, depends on the metrics used
- Why we need to evaluate?
 - 1. Compare clustering algorithms (to select the one suitable for the problem)
 - 2. Improving our confidence on the clustering results
- Mainly, there are two types of clustering validation:
 - External Index validation:
 - Comparing the clustering results to a ground truth
 - Internal Index validation :
 - Assesses the clustering quality, while no ground truth is available.

External Index: Entropy $H(X) = -\sum_{i=1}^{n} P(x_i) \log_b P(x_i)$

2-Class Case:

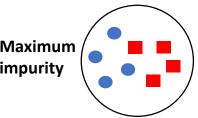
 What is the entropy of a group in which all examples belong to the same class?

$$H(1) = -\frac{13}{13} \log_2 \left(\frac{13}{13}\right) = 0$$

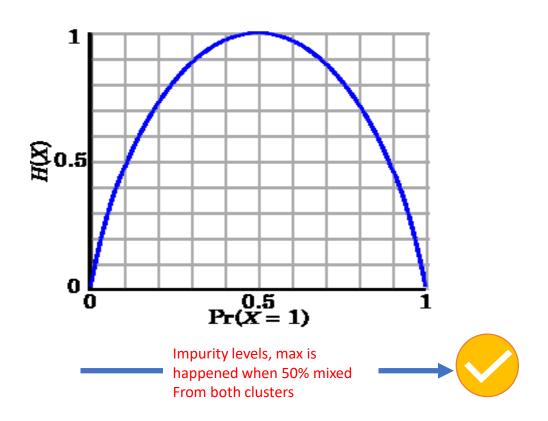


 What is the entropy of a group with 50% in either class?

$$H(1) = -\frac{4}{8} \log_2\left(\frac{4}{8}\right) - \frac{4}{8} \log_2\left(\frac{4}{8}\right) = 1$$



External Index: Entropy-based



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- Homogeneity score: A clustering algorithm must assign only those datapoints that are similar to a cluster, zero entropy
- The homogeneity score is set to 1.0 for a perfectly homogenous solution, to adhere to the convention of 1.0 being desirable and 0.0 being undesirable

$$h = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } H(C, K) = 0\\ 1 - \frac{H(C|K)}{H(C)} & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

where

$$H(C|K) = -\sum_{k=1}^{|K|} \sum_{c=1}^{|C|} \frac{a_{ck}}{N} \log \frac{a_{ck}}{\sum_{c=1}^{|C|} a_{ck}}$$

$$H(C) = -\sum_{c=1}^{|C|} \frac{\sum_{k=1}^{|K|} a_{ck}}{n} \log \frac{\sum_{k=1}^{|K|} a_{ck}}{n}$$

For a set of classes, $C = \{c_i \mid i = 1, ..., n\}$ and a set of clusters, $K = \{k_i \mid 1, ..., m\}$.

External Index: Homogeneity score

```
1 # sklearn.metrics.homogeneity score
 3 from sklearn.metrics import homogeneity score
 4 # from sklearn.metrics import
 6 # example 1
 7 \text{ y1} = [0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1]
 8 \text{ y1p} = [0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1]
 9 print ('Example 1 - Homogeneity score:{:0.2f}'.format(homogeneity score(y1,y1p)))
10
11 # example 2
12 \text{ y2} = [0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1]
13 y2p = [1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0]
14 print ('Example 2 - Homogeneity score:{:0.2f}'.format(homogeneity score(y2,y2p)))
15
16 # example 3
17 \text{ y3} = [0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1]
18 \text{ y3p} = [0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 1]
19 print ('Example 3 - Homogeneity score:{:0.2f}'.format(homogeneity score(y3,y3p)))
```

```
Example 1 - Homogeneity score:1.00
Example 2 - Homogeneity score:1.00
Example 3 - Homogeneity score:0.08
```

Other metrics

- Sklearn provides several other external metrics to validate our clustering results.
- The table lists all validation metrics developed under sklearn, but not all of them are external validation, only the highlighted ones

metrics.calinski_harabasz_score(X, labels)	Compute the Calinski and Harabasz score.
<pre>metrics.davies_bouldin_score(X, labels)</pre>	Compute the Davies-Bouldin score.
metrics.silhouette_score(X, labels, *[,])	Compute the mean Silhouette Coefficient of all samples.
metrics.silhouette_samples(X, labels, *[,])	Compute the Silhouette Coefficient for each sample.

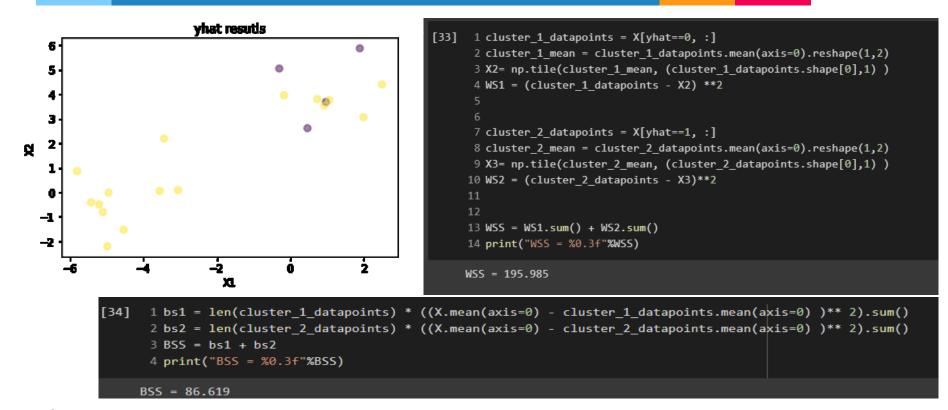
Internal Index: cohesion & separation

- Normal setting of clustering is without GT
- We can estimate/evaluate clustering quality by the clustering "cohesion" and "separation"
- Cohesion(inertia) is measured by the within-cluster sum of squares $WSS = \sum_{i} \sum_{x \in C_i} (x m_i)^2$
- Separation is measured by the between-cluster sum of squares

$$BSS = \sum_{i} |C_{i}| (m - m_{i})^{2}$$

- ullet Where $|oldsymbol{\mathcal{C}}_i|$ is the size of cluster $oldsymbol{i}$ and $oldsymbol{m}$ is the centroid of all data
 - BSS + WSS = constant
 - WSS is called Sum of Squared Error (SSE)
 - Larger number of clusters tend to result in smaller SSE, why?

Example



WSS: 195.99BSS: 86.62

From the results our clustering is not good. As the cohesion is affected by the high value of WSS, while the separation between clusters is low! For good results the values should be the opposite

Internal Index: Silhouette Score

- ullet Given a clustering output, and for each point of the dataset, Silhouette computes lpha and eta values to find the Silhouette score.
- The silhouette score for each point is given by

$$SL_i = \begin{cases} 1 - \frac{\alpha}{\beta}, & \text{if } \alpha < \beta \\ \frac{\beta}{\alpha} - 1, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- Then, the mean Silhouette scores of all samples is reported
- The metric value ranges between -1 to 1
- A value closer to 1 is the better the clustering result, while a value closer to -1 is the worst the results.
- Values around 0 indicate overlapping clusters results

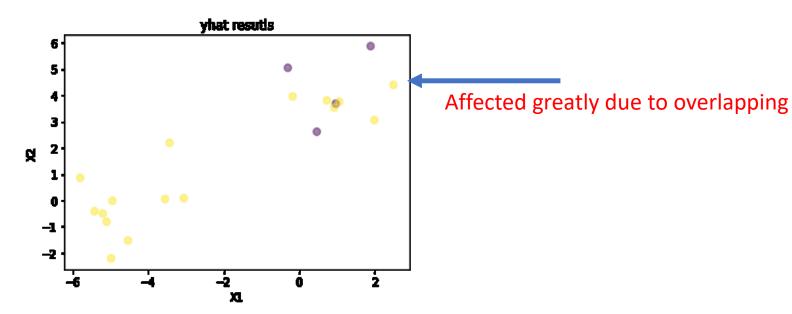
Example of two samples



Data Point	Calculation (Euclidean distance)	Scores
X=4	$\alpha_4 = \frac{((4-4.5)^2 + (4-5)^2)}{2} = 0.625$	$1 - \frac{\alpha_4}{\beta_4} = 0.90$
	$\beta_4 = \frac{((4-2)^2 + (4-1.5)^2 + (4-1)^2)}{3} = 6.42$	

Silhouette evaluation example

```
[37] 1 from sklearn.metrics.cluster import silhouette_score
2 print('silhouette:%0.2f'% silhouette_score(X, yhat))
silhouette:0.22
```



Silhouette Score

Advantages

- The score is bounded [-1, 1], as -1 is the incorrect clustering and 1 is the correct clustering. Zero or approaching zero scores means overlapping results
- When the score is high the clusters dense and separated well.

Dis-advantages

• The metric indicates high value with convex clusters than irregular shaped data



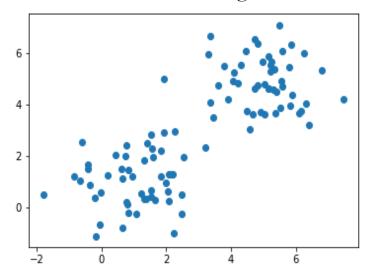


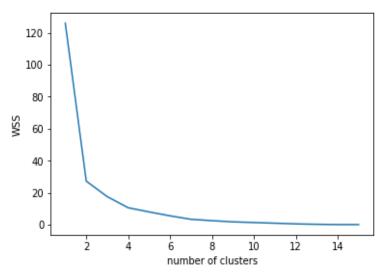
K value selection

- How many clusters should we identify?

What is the right K?

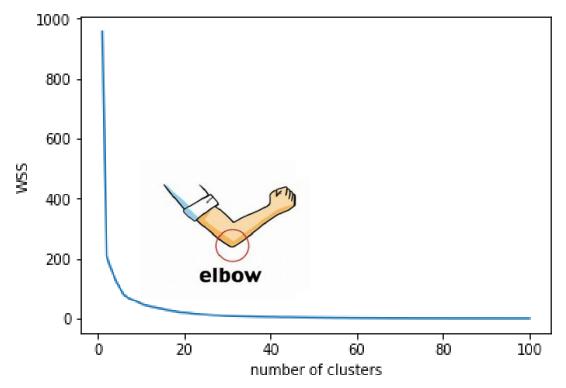
- Is there a criterion for selecting K?
- The widely adopted method is the so-called Elbow-Method.
- In K-means clustering, we minimize the inertia value (WSS), and maximize the interdistance (BSS) simultaneously.
- By using a repeated clustering with different **K** each time and observe the WSS behavior. It will look something like:





Issue of Elbow method

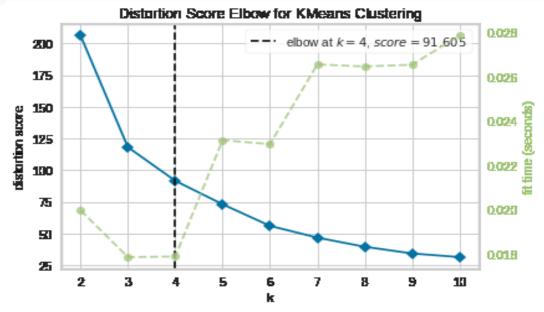
• As we increase the K too much to select best K value, what happens to the WSS?



• WSS Decreases and smooths out the curve which makes it tough to decide the elbow location, However, a good guess always works here!

KElbowVisualizer (yellowbrick library)

```
1 from yellowbrick.cluster import KElbowVisualizer
2
3 Elbow_M = KElbowVisualizer(KMeans(), k=10)
4 Elbow_M.fit(X)
5 Elbow_M.show()
6 plt.show()
```



 Yellowbrick library is an extension to the Scikit-Learn API. It is used for model selection and hyperparameter tuning. Under the hood, it's using Matplotlib. (<u>link to doc</u>)

Silhouette-based K selection

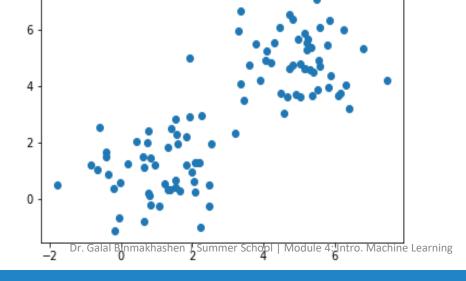
- By intuition, as we aim to get better silhouette score, we may keep an eye on that metric to optimize K
- Silhouette tends to approach value of 1 when the cohesion of the clusters is high.
- One method is to repeat clustering of the data for several Ks. That is $k = \{1, ..., n\}$
- Then, we can analyze the results and choose one of the models with high silhouette scores

Results

- Silhouette score(2 clusters) =0.79
- Silhouette score(3 clusters) = 0.63
- Silhouette score(4 clusters) =0.42

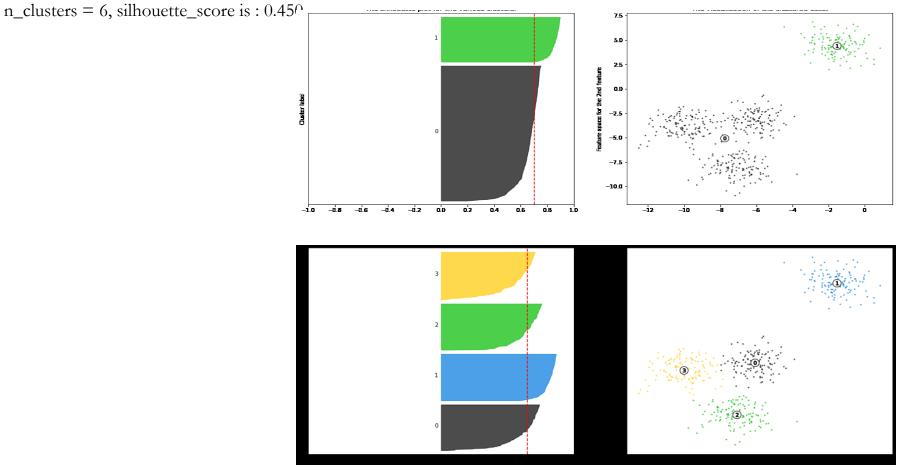
With the above results, we may select the highest or the second highest based on our domain of

expertise.



Another example

n_clusters = 2, silhouette_score is : 0.705, ←→ n_clusters = 4, silhouette_score is : 0.651
n_clusters = 3 silhouette_score is : 0.588, ←→ n_clusters = 5, silhouette_score is : 0.564



https://scikit-learn.org/stable/auto_examples/cluster/plot_kmeans_silhouette_analysis.html#sphx-glr-auto-examples-cluster-plot-kmeans-silhouette-analysis-py

Summary

- Pros and Cons, and
- Possible remedies

Pros & Cons (Kmeans)

Pros

- ▷ Simple to understand
- ▶ Fast to cluster
- ▶ Widely adopted

Cons

- ▶ Requires number of clusters as input
- Sensitive to initialization
- ▶ Lacks Consistency
- Sensitive to scale and outliers
- ▷ Spherical clusters

Some ideas

Cons

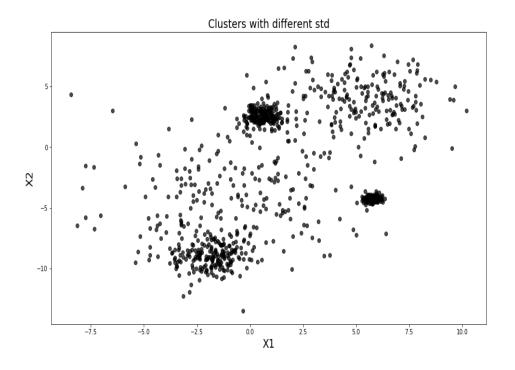
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Possible Remedy

- ▷ Elbow method

What kind of data kmeans can handle

• Generate a data with different spreads.

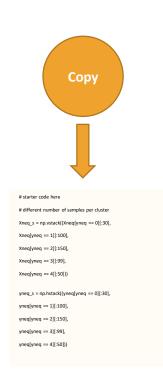


■ Was Kmeans successful?

KMeans

Data with different densities.

■ Was Kmeans successful?



Kmeans

- Skewed datasets
- circles, and moons datasets

