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Lab Report Name: Modified K-Means Clustering Using Manhattan Distance

1. Introduction:

Clustering is an essential technique in unsupervised machine learning that groups similar data points together. The K-Means algorithm is a widely-used clustering method that typically uses Euclidean distance to assign points to the nearest cluster center. In this lab, we implement a modified K-Means algorithm using Manhattan distance instead of Euclidean distance. Furthermore, we visualize the result as a 2D grid using only the print() function, without any graphical libraries.

2. Objective:

- To implement a modified K-Means clustering algorithm in Python.
- To use Manhattan distance instead of the standard Euclidean distance for cluster assignment.
- To generate 100 Cartesian points and 10 initial cluster centers on a 2D grid.
- To visualize the final clusters using a matrix printed in the console using print().

3. Problem Statement:

The standard K-Means clustering algorithm utilizes Euclidean distance to group data points into clusters based on proximity. However, in grid-based environments or applications such as urban pathfinding, Manhattan distance is often a more appropriate metric for measuring distance between points.

In this lab, the task is to modify the traditional K-Means algorithm to use Manhattan distance for cluster assignment. The algorithm must be implemented in Python, where:

- 100 unique Cartesian points and 10 random cluster centers are generated on a 2D grid.
- Each point is assigned to the cluster with the minimum Manhattan distance.
- Cluster centers are updated as the average position of their assigned points until convergence.

Additionally, the final result must be visualized using a 2D matrix printed with the print() function, where:

- Points display their assigned cluster number.
- Cluster centers are shown with distinct capital letters.

This implementation demonstrates the adaptation of K-Means to grid-based domains and provides a textual spatial visualization of clustering results.

4. Procedure:

- 1. Generate 100 unique random points on a 2D grid (e.g., 10x10).
- 2. Initialize 10 cluster centers randomly.
- 3. For each point:
 - Compute the Manhattan distance to all cluster centers.
 - Assign the point to the cluster with the smallest distance.
- 4. Update each cluster center as the mean position (average x and y) of its assigned points.
- 5. Repeat steps 3–4 until cluster centers no longer change.
- 6. Display the grid:
 - Each cell shows either a point (with its cluster number) or a cluster center (with a letter A–J).

5. Implementation:

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                                                       K-Means Clustering
 1 import random
 2 class Point:
       def __init__(self, x, y):
           self.cluster = None
 8 def manhattan_distance(p1, p2):
       return abs(p1.x - p2.x) + abs(p1.y - p2.y)
11 class KMeans:
       def __init__(self, total_points, total_clusters, grid_size=15):
           self.total_points = total_points
           self.total clusters = total clusters
           self.grid_size = grid_size
           all_positions = [(x, y) for x in range(grid_size) for y in range(grid_size)]
           random.shuffle(all_positions)
           if total points > len(all positions):
               raise ValueError("Grid too small for the number of points!")
           self.points = [Point(x, y) for x, y in all_positions[:total_points]]
            self.clusters = [Point(random.randint(0, grid_size - 1), random.randint(0, grid_size - 1)) for _ in
   range(total_clusters)]
           self.run_clustering()
       def run_clustering(self):
           while True:
               for p in self.points:
                    distances = [manhattan_distance(p, center) for center in self.clusters]
                    p.cluster = distances.index(min(distances))
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old_centers = [(c.x, c.y) for c in self.clusters]
              for i in range(self.total_clusters):
                  cluster_points = [p for p in self.points if p.cluster == i]
                  if cluster_points:
                      avg_x = sum(p.x for p in cluster_points) // len(cluster_points)
                      avg_y = sum(p.y for p in cluster_points) // len(cluster_points)
                      self.clusters[i].x = avg_x
                      self.clusters[i].y = avg_y
              new_centers = [(c.x, c.y) for c in self.clusters]
              if new_centers == old_centers:
                  break
          self.visualize()
      def visualize(self):
          grid = [["." for _ in range(self.grid_size)] for _ in range(self.grid_size)]
          for p in self.points:
              grid[p.y][p.x] = str(p.cluster)
          for i, center in enumerate(self.clusters):
              grid[center.y][center.x] = chr(65 + i)
          print("\nCluster Visualization (using Manhattan Distance):\n")
          print(" " + " ".join(f"{i:02}" for i in range(self.grid_size)))
          for row_idx, row in enumerate(grid):
              row_str = " ".join(row)
              print(f"{row_idx:02} {row_str}")
62 def main():
      KMeans(total_points=100, total_clusters=10, grid_size=10)
64 if __name__ == "__main__":
      main()
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6. Result:

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- 1. 100 data points were successfully assigned to 10 clusters using Manhattan distance.
- **2.** The cluster centers were iteratively updated until convergence.
- **3.** A matrix visualization was printed in the console:
 - Numbers (0–9) represent point clusters.
 - Letters (A–J) represent cluster centers.
- **4.** The final output is a clear, structured grid showing the spatial distribution of clusters.

7. Conclusion

In this lab, we successfully implemented a modified version of the K-Means clustering algorithm using Manhattan distance. Unlike the traditional method, this approach is more suitable for grid-like data structures or urban planning problems. The cluster formation and convergence behavior were validated through console-based matrix visualization, offering a lightweight and intuitive understanding of the clustering process.

GitHub Link:

https://github.com/programmermahi/Artificial-Intelligence/tree/main/LabReport04-K-Means%20Clustering