

Introduction to Intelligent Systems / Lab 5-1

K-means

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Due: Before the next lab session.

Evaluation: Code and explanation about the code (in groups of up to 3 people)

Remark:

- Only groups of one/two/three people accepted. Forbidden groups of larger number of people.
 - No late homework will be accepted.
 - No plagiarism. If plagiarism happens, both the “lender” and the “borrower” will have a zero.
 - Code yourself from scratch. No homework will be considered if you solve the problem using any ML library.
 - Do thoroughly all the demanded tasks.
 - Study the theory for the questions.
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1 Tasks

A) Clustering some synthetic data

1. Download from the course site the 2D data stored in `data_kmeans.txt` file.
2. Cluster them using the K-means algorithm using the formulas seen in class.
3. Test your model with some new data.
4. Plot both training and test results in a 2D graph.

B) Clustering some real data

Download from the course site the 6D data stored in `grade_students.csv` file. The source of this dataset is the **The Student/Teacher Achievement Ratio (STAR) Project** organized by the Tennessee State Department of Education in the USA. The reference is the following:

<https://dataverse.harvard.edu/dataset.xhtml?persistentId=hdl:1902.1/10766>

This dataset contains 6 features of 5500 students from 79 schools in the state of Tennessee: students' free or reduced-price lunch status, number of absence days, the standardized Stanford Achievement Test Scores for reading, Math, listening and word study.

1. Using the given dataset, cluster the students in 3 clusters (weak, average and gifted clusters) using the K-means algorithm.
2. Interpret your results. That is, relate the input-feature values to the output values and comment your observations.