

Machine Learning

1. Which of the following is an application of clustering?

- a. Biological network analysis
- b. Market trend prediction
- c. Topic modeling
- d. All of the above

Ans - d

2. On which data type, we cannot perform cluster analysis?

- a. Time series data
- b. Text data
- c. Multimedia data
- d. None

Ans- a

3. Netflix's movie recommendation system uses

- a. Supervised learning
- b. Unsupervised learning
- c. Reinforcement learning and Unsupervised learning
- d. All of the above

Ans - d

4. The final output of Hierarchical clustering is

- a. The number of cluster centroids
- b. The tree representing how close the data points are to each other
- c. A map defining the similar data points into individual groups
- d. All of the above

Ans - b

5. Which of the step is not required for K-means clustering?

- a. A distance metric
- b. Initial number of clusters
- c. Initial guess as to cluster centroids
- d. None

Ans -d

6. Which of the following is wrong?

- a. k-means clustering is a vector quantization method
- b. k-means clustering tries to group n observations into k clusters
- c. k-nearest neighbour is same as k-means
- d. None

Ans - a

7. Which of the following metrics, do we have for finding dissimilarity between two clusters in hierarchical clustering?

- i. Single-link
- ii. Complete-link
- iii. Average-link

Options:

- a. 1 and 2
- b. 1 and 3
- c. 2 and 3
- d. 1, 2 and 3

Ans - d

8. Which of the following are true?

- i. Clustering analysis is negatively affected by multicollinearity of features
- ii. Clustering analysis is negatively affected by heteroscedasticity

Options:

- a. 1 only
- b. 2 only
- c. 1 and 2
- d. None of them

Ans - d

9. In the figure above, if you draw a horizontal line on y-axis for $y=2$. What will be the number of clusters formed?

- a. 2
- b. 4
- c. 3

d. 5

Ans - a

10. For which of the following tasks might clustering be a suitable approach?

a. Given sales data from a large number of products in a supermarket, estimate future sales for each of these products.

b. Given a database of information about your users, automatically group them into different market segments.

c. Predicting whether stock price of a company will increase tomorrow.

d. Given historical weather records, predict if tomorrow's weather will be sunny or rainy.

Ans - b

11. Which of the following clustering representations and dendrogram depicts the use of MIN or Single link proximity function in hierarchical clustering:

Ans -d

12. Which of the following clustering representations and dendrogram depicts the use of MAX or Complete link proximity function in hierarchical clustering.

Ans -d

13. What is the importance of clustering?

Clustering helps in understanding the natural grouping in a dataset. Their purpose is to make sense to partition the data into some group of logical groupings. Clustering quality depends on the methods and the identification of hidden patterns. It mainly divides many unstructured data sets into clusters and, according to the common attributes present in them, it helps create more and more clusters.

14. How can I improve my clustering performance?

K-means clustering algorithm can be significantly improved by using a better initialization technique, and by repeating (re-starting) the algorithm. When the data has overlapping clusters, k-means can improve the results of the initialization technique. Initially all data points are disconnected from each other; each data point is treated as its own cluster. Then, the two closest data points are connected, forming a cluster.