

Exercise 16

Consider the following distance matrix of the objects A, B, C, D, and E:

	A	B	C	D	E
A	0	9	7	12	8
B	9	0	4	2	5
C	7	4	0	1	13
D	12	2	1	0	6
E	8	5	13	6	0

- (a) Perform an agglomerative clustering of the objects based on **Single**-Linkage with Paper and Pencil. Draw the corresponding Dendrogram (with P&P).
- (b) Perform an agglomerative clustering of the objects based on **Complete**-Linkage. Draw the corresponding Dendrogram (with P&P).
- (c) Perform an agglomerative clustering of the objects based on **Average**-Linkage. Draw the corresponding Dendrogram (with P&P).
- (d) Repeat (a) – (c) in R and compare to your P&P results.

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Consider the data set `USairpollution` in the package `HSAUR2`, but without the variable `S02` for the moment.

- (a) Perform an agglomerative hierarchical clustering (of the cities) with the function `hclust()`. Use the Euclidean distance, and perform the clustering based on Single-, Complete- as well as Average-Linkage. Compare the results of the different linkage methods (e.g. based on Dendrograms). Which are your preferred choices of clusters in each setting?
- (b) Choose one clustering from part (a). Compare the different variables in the data set, including `S02`, in the resulting clusters. What is your conclusion, are there cluster specific properties? How would you describe the individual clusters?