Data Products Course Project

Iris Clustering

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Iris Data Overview

This famous (Fisher's or Anderson's) iris data set gives the measurements in centimeters of the variables sepal length and width and petal length and width, respectively, for 50 flowers from each of 3 species of iris. The species are Iris setosa, versicolor, and virginica.

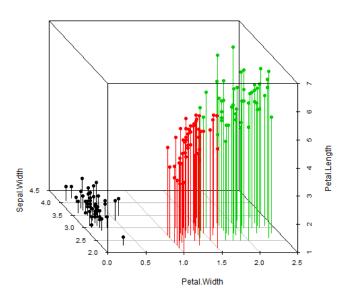
To summarize:

```
##
    Sepal.Length
                    Sepal.Width
                                    Petal.Length
                                                   Petal.Width
##
   Min.
          :4.300
                   Min.
                          :2.000
                                   Min.
                                          :1.000
                                                  Min.
                                                          :0.100
   1st Qu.:5.100
                   1st Qu.:2.800
                                   1st Qu.:1.600
                                                  1st Qu.:0.300
   Median :5.800
                   Median :3.000
                                   Median :4.350
                                                  Median :1.300
          :5.843
                   Mean :3.057
                                        :3.758
                                                         :1.199
   Mean
                                   Mean
                                                  Mean
##
   3rd Qu.:6.400
                   3rd Qu.:3.300
                                   3rd Qu.:5.100
                                                  3rd Qu.:1.800
   Max.
          :7.900
                   Max.
                          :4.400
                                   Max.
                                          :6.900
                                                  Max.
                                                          :2.500
         Species
##
              :50
##
   setosa
   versicolor:50
##
   virginica:50
##
##
##
##
```

Iris Data By Species

Below is a graph of the Iris Data color by species.

3-D Scatterplot of Iris by Species



Clustering Overview

K-Means Algorithm Properties

- 1. There are always K clusters.
- 2. There is always at least one item in each cluster.
- 3. The clusters are non-hierarchical and they do not overlap.
- 4. Every member of a cluster is closer to its cluster than any other cluster because closeness does not always involve the 'center' of clusters.