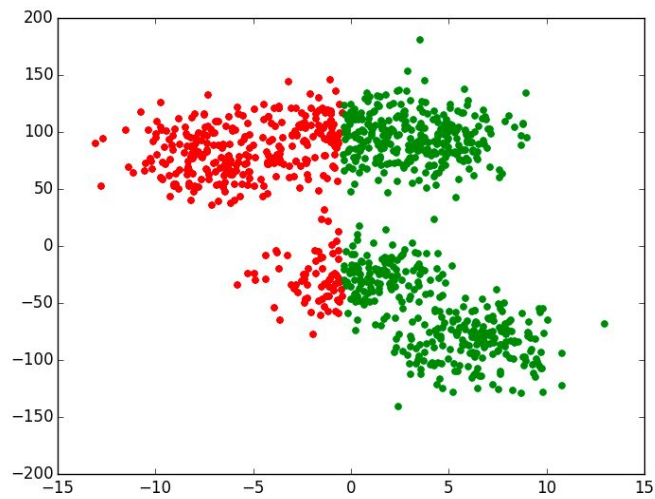


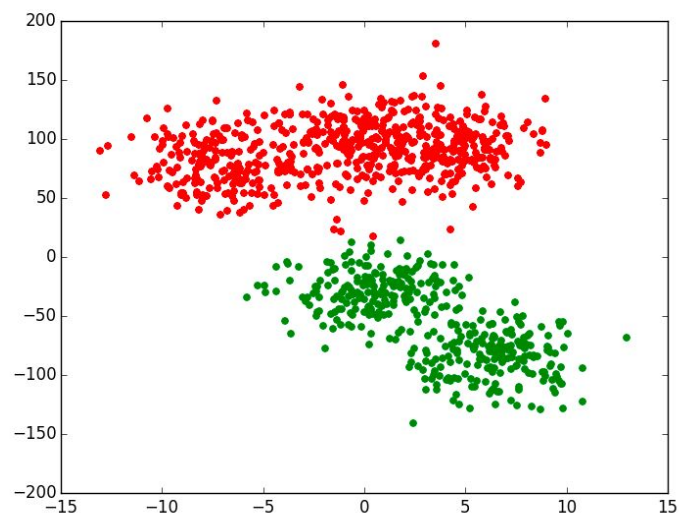
We implemented the function `kmeans` in the included `coli_ex_8.py` to calculate the k-means clustering of a data set with any number of dimensions.

## Task 1

We found the following clustering just using the x-values:



And just using the y-values:

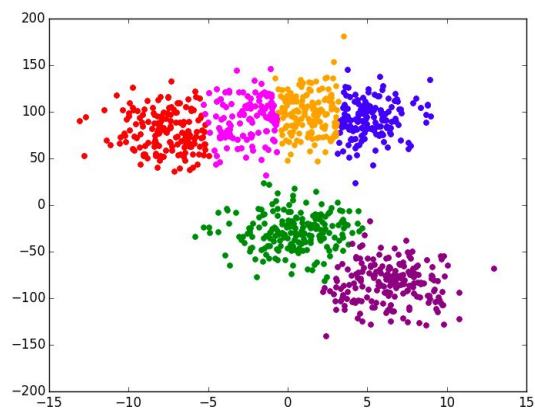
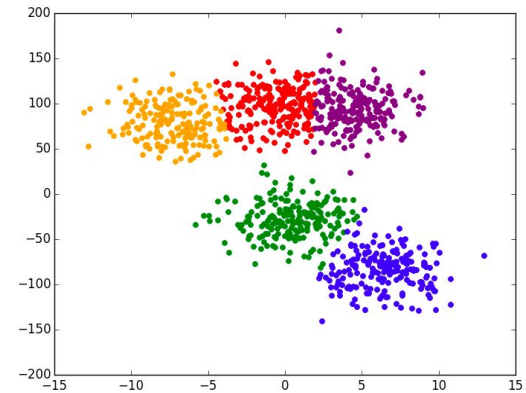
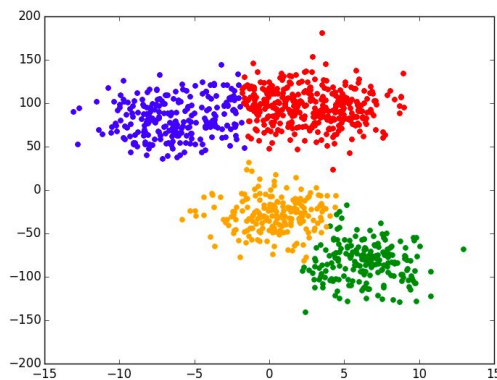
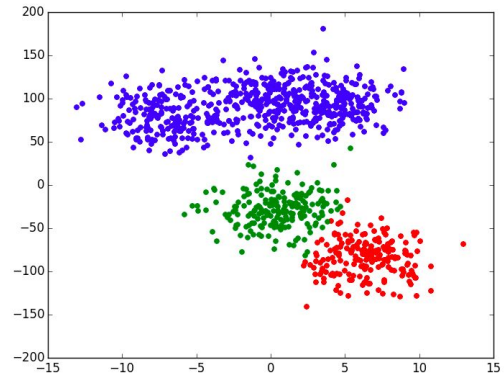
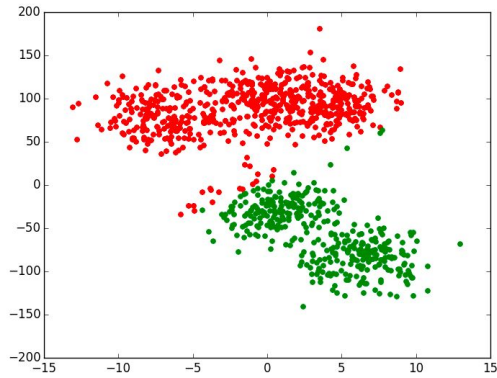


The y-value clustering is clearly better for this data set.

## Task 2

We normalized by calculating the z-score of each data point, in the function `normalize`.

We found the following clusters for  $k$  between 2 and 6:



## Task 3

We implemented the Variance Ratio Criterion in the function `vrc`, and the function to calculate the minimum in `min_vrc`.

Using this, we found that the optimal value for  $k$  was 5 (or occasionally 4, depending on the particular clusterings from the `kmeans` function).

We were unable to include the results for  $k = 2$ , however, since we were unsure how to calculate  $VRC(1)$  without dividing by zero.