

## Day 12 Training Report

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### k-Means Clustering — Working, Implementation, Hands-on Practice

On **Day 12**, students learned **k-Means clustering**, one of the most popular unsupervised learning algorithms used to **group data points into clusters**.

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#### 1. Introduction to k-Means

- **Objective:** Partition  $n$  data points into  $k$  clusters where each point belongs to the cluster with the **nearest centroid**.
  - **Centroid:** Mean of all points in a cluster.
  - **Distance Metric:** Typically **Euclidean distance**.
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#### 2. Algorithm Steps

1. Choose the number of clusters  $k$ .
  2. Randomly initialize  $k$  centroids.
  3. Assign each data point to the nearest centroid.
  4. Recalculate centroids as the mean of assigned points.
  5. Repeat steps 3–4 until centroids stabilize (no significant change).
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#### 3. Hands-on Implementation

```
from sklearn.cluster import KMeans
import pandas as pd

# Sample dataset
data = pd.DataFrame({'X':[1,2,3,8,9,10], 'Y':[2,3,2,8,9,10]})

# Apply k-means
kmeans = KMeans(n_clusters=2, random_state=42)
kmeans.fit(data)

data['Cluster'] = kmeans.labels_
print(data)
```

**Outcome:** Data points are grouped into clusters automatically.