# Survey Monkey Customer Feedback Data Analysis Report

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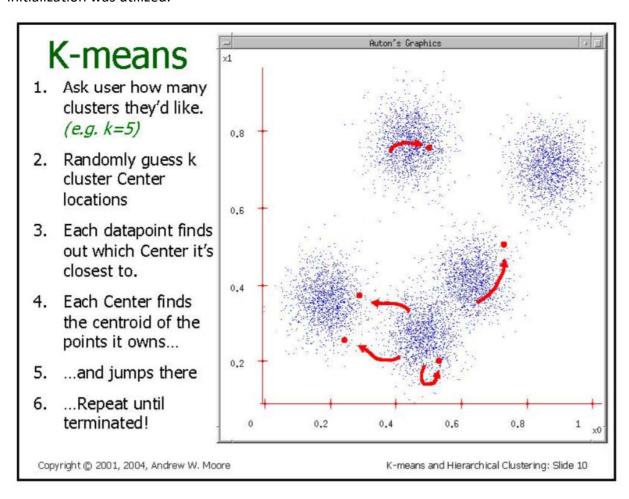
# 1. Methodology

# 1.1 About the method used to analyze the data

Jump to page XX for the insights and conclusion of the analysis. The body of this report contains detailed information about the methodology used to analyze the data.

The Machine Learning technique used for this analysis is commonly known as k-means. It consists of an unsupervised learning method that clusters the data set based on the distance between each data point and a sample point of each class. This distance can be calculated in various ways and the data can be clustered in n different classes. In this analysis, the distance was calculated by the Euclidean method with 3, 4, 5 and 6 clusters and also by the Mahalanobis method with 2, 3, 4, 5(\*) clusters. \*Three different k-mean procedures were used for 5 clusters with Mahalanobis distance.

The following image explains, in a summarized way, how the k-means algorithm works. Note that the initialization technique for the analysis of this data is different than the one showed in the picture. Random initialization is usually not optimal so for this application mean-splitting initialization was utilized.



### 1.2. Software and how to re-run the code

The software script used for analysis was entirely written in MATLAB. There are a total of 14 scripts used to interpret the data, but when re-running the code only two of them need to be executed (MaiscriptOSSICsurvey.m and surveydatamatrix). Other scripts work as specific functions that are called inside MaiscriptOSSICsurvey. Please refer to the following description of each script:

### MaiscriptOSSICsurvey.m

Main script, should be opened and ran according to instructions bellow.

## surveydatamatrix.m

Converts the imported Excel spreadsheet into numeric array that can be interpreted by the other scripts. Should be open and ran according to instructions bellow.

### overall\_data\_vis.m

Display graphs of the distributions of each dimension, their mean and variance.

Inputs: music, moviestv, gaming, vr, cmusicp, clivem, csound, caudioeng, camed, cvr, cfilm, clives, age

Outputs: None

Print: Distribution graphs of each dimension (13 graphs total)

## linear\_transformation\_analysis.m

Generates the linear transformation of each data set and analyses it. Ln transform, sqrt transform and inverse transform are performed.

Inputs: data set that must be analyzed

Outputs: None

Print: Graphs for the distribution of each transform (4 total).

### classifier euclidean 3.m

function that returns 3 clusters using an Euclidian classifier.

Inputs: processed survey matrix

Outputs: mean values of each class, standard deviation of each class, size of each class

Print: Image with the mean of each class for each dimension

### classifier euclidean.m

function that returns 4 clusters using an Euclidian classifier.

Inputs: processed survey matrix

Outputs: mean values of each class, standard deviation of each class, size of each class

Print: Image with the mean of each class for each dimension

### classifier euclidean 5.m

function that returns 5 clusters using an Euclidian classifier.

Inputs: processed survey matrix

Outputs: mean values of each class, standard deviation of each class, size of each class

Print: Image with the mean of each class for each dimension

### classifier euclidean 6.m

function that returns 6 clusters using an Euclidian classifier.

Inputs: processed survey matrix

Outputs: mean values of each class, standard deviation of each class, size of each class

Print: Image with the mean of each class for each dimension

### classifier\_gaussian\_2.m

function that returns 2 clusters using a Gaussian classifier.

Inputs: processed survey matrix

Outputs: mean values of each class, standard deviation of each class, size of each class

Print: Image with the mean of each class for each dimension

### classifier\_gaussian\_3.m

function that returns 3 clusters using a Gaussian classifier.

Inputs: processed survey matrix

Outputs: mean values of each class, standard deviation of each class, size of each class

Print: Image with the mean of each class for each dimension

### classifier\_gaussian.m

function that returns 4 clusters using a Gaussian classifier.

Inputs: processed survey matrix

Outputs: mean values of each class, standard deviation of each class, size of each class

Print: Image with the mean of each class for each dimension

### classifier\_gaussian\_5.m

function that returns 5 clusters using a Gaussian classifier using initialization methodology 1.

Inputs: processed survey matrix

Outputs: mean values of each class, standard deviation of each class, size of each class

Print: Image with the mean of each class for each dimension

### classifier gaussian 52.m

function that returns 5 clusters using a Gaussian classifier using initialization methodology 2.

Inputs: processed survey matrix

Outputs: mean values of each class, standard deviation of each class, size of each class

Print: Image with the mean of each class for each dimension

### classifier\_gaussian\_53.m

function that returns 5 clusters using a Gaussian classifier using initialization methodology 3.

Inputs: processed survey matrix

Outputs: mean values of each class, standard deviation of each class, size of each class

Print: Image with the mean of each class for each dimension

There are two simple steps you need to take to re-run the code:

### Step1: running surveydatamatrix.m

Open surveydatamatrix.m on MATLAB, on the tab HOME (top left corner) click on Import Data and open Sheet\_1.xls. Select columns J K L M T U V W X Y Z AA and AC. Change import type to Cell Array and add rule: Replace unimportable cells with NaN. Once imported, the Cell array should appear on the list of variables (on the right), rename it to OSSICsurvey2 and finally run the script.

### Step2: running MaiscriptOSSICsurvey

Open MaiscriptOSSICsurvey. Remove comment marks (%) from appropriate areas according to the information you are trying to display (as described in the script). Run the script.

# 1.3. Opportunities for improvement of the algorithm

The results of this analysis can certainly be improved if we perform some more robust machine learning techniques. For instance, I believe that utilizing an Expectation Maximization algorithm to predict the mixture distribution of each class and then utilizing a probabilistic classifier instead of a distance one would yield a more accurate clustering. Performing a Principal Component Analysis with sigma threshold at 70-85% before the Expectation Maximization step would possibly also improve the results. The objective of this analysis is not to be extremely accurate when classifying, but rather to identify what are the clusters and estimate their specific characteristic. Because of that I judge a waste of time performing very complex calculations that would yield similar, slightly more accurate, results.

### 2. Overview of Data Dimensions

The decision of using Euclidean and Mahalanobis methods was made based on the shape of the data distribution of each dimension (A dimension is equivalent to a question in this analysis). In this section we will go over how each data dimension is distributed.

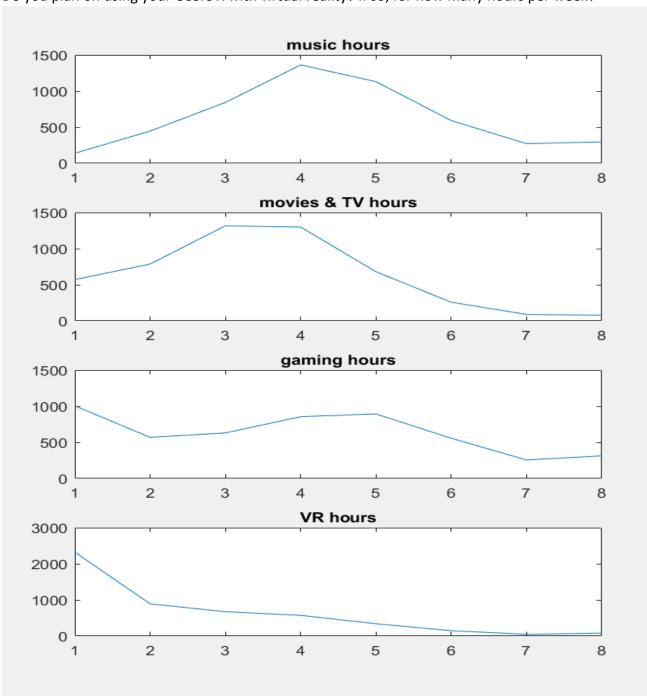
## 2.1. Hour Allocation for OSSIC

The following graphs reports the distribution for each of the following questions:

Do you plan on listening to music using your OSSIC X? If so, for how many hours per week?

Do you plan on watching movies or TV shows using your OSSIC X? If so, for how many hours per week?

Do you plan on using your OSSIC X for gaming? If so, for how many hours per week? Do you plan on using your OSSIC X with virtual reality? If so, for how many hours per week?



# 2.2. Content Creation Proficiency 1

The following graphs reports the distribution for each of the following questions:

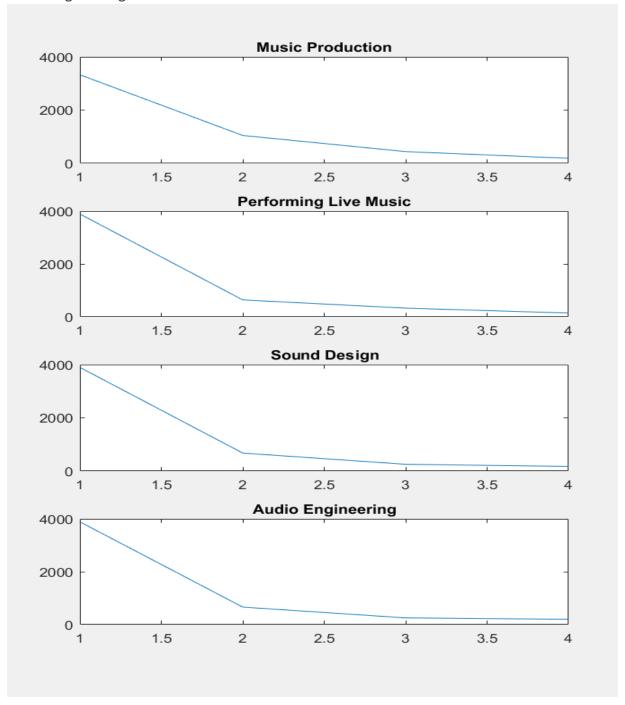
To what level do you create content in the following?

Music production

Performing live music (band, DJ, singer etc.)

Sound design

Audio engineering



# 2.3. Content Creation Proficiency 2

The following graphs reports the distribution for each of the following questions:

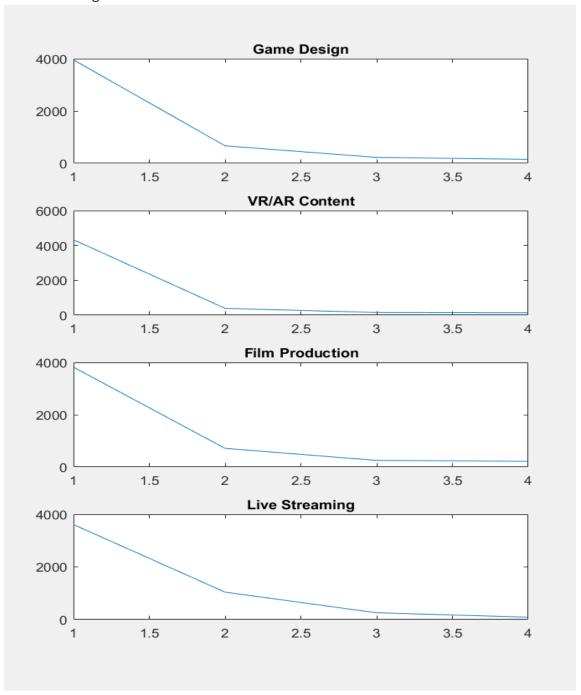
To what level do you create content in the following?

Game design

VR/AR content creation

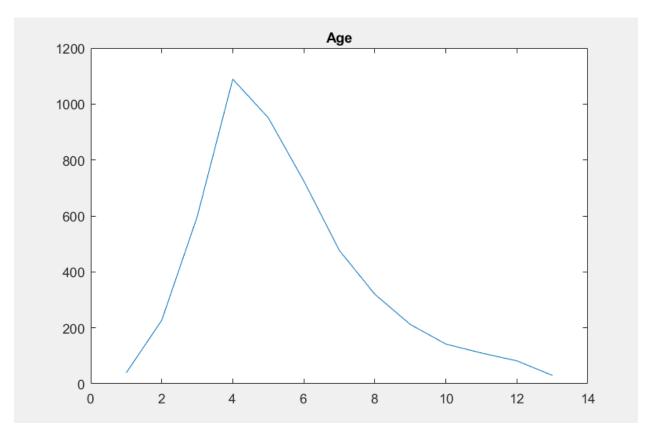
Film production

**Live Streaming** 



# 2.4. Age Distribution

The following graphs reports the distribution for each of the following questions: Your age



For all the graphs the y axis represents the number of responses for that particular answer.

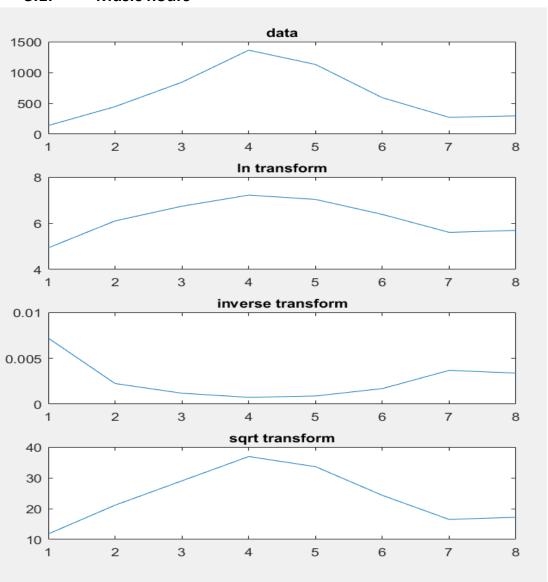
For the first four graphs the x axis is labeled as follows:

Label	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
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# 3. Analysis of Linear Transformation of each vector and choice for optimal dimension

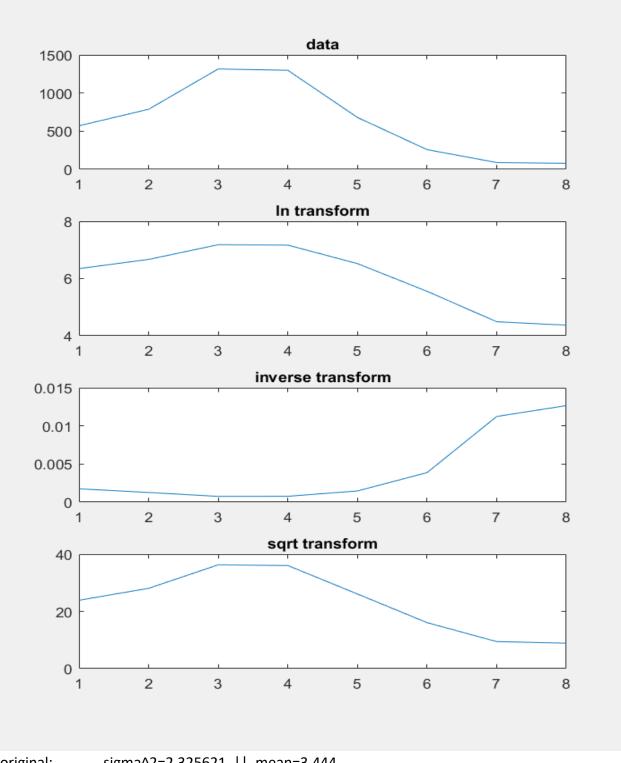
The following graphs depic a detailed picture of the data distribution in each dimension and the linear transformation of that distribution. The linear transformations applied here were: natural log, inverse and squareroot. Each dimension analysis also contains data regarding standard deviation and mean.

### 3.1. Music hours



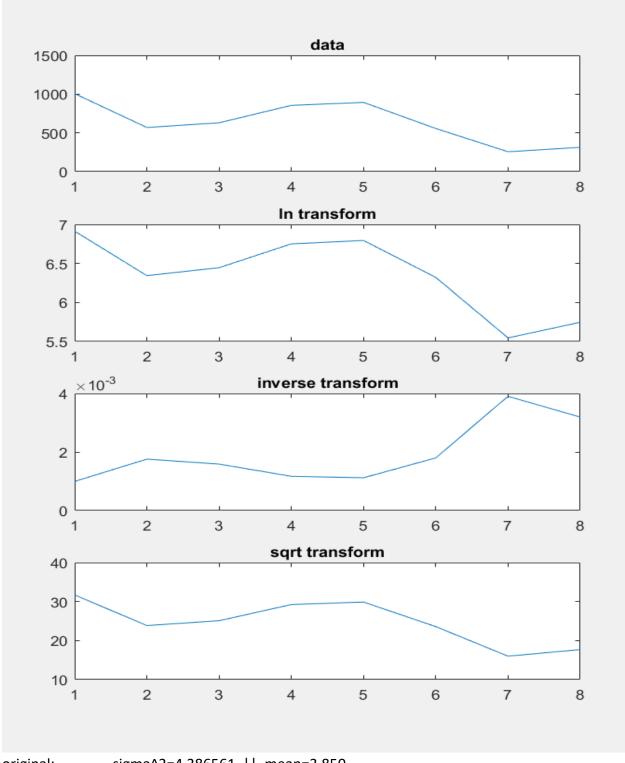
original: sigma^2=2.685184 || mean=4.426 |
In transform: sigma^2=4.756620 || mean=4.516 |
inv transform: sigma^2=8.079250 || mean=4.074 |
sqrt: sigma^2=3.821710 || mean=4.493

# 3.2. Movies & TV Hours



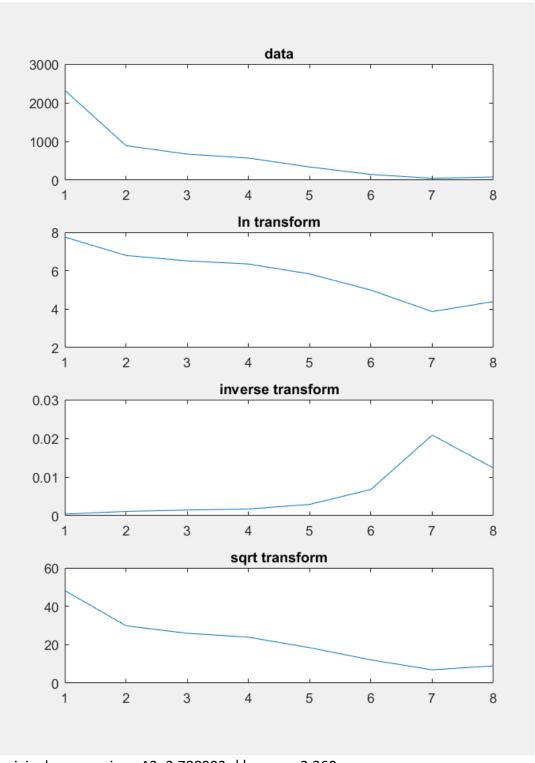
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# 3.3. Gaming Hours



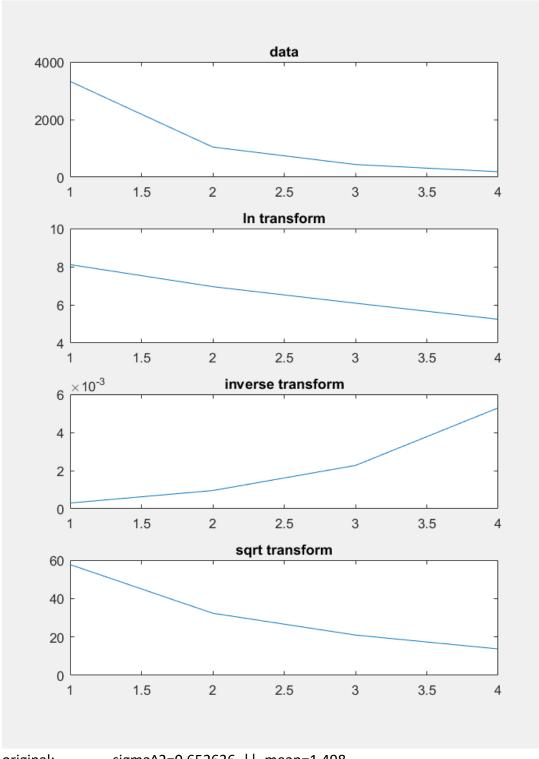
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In transform: sigma^2=5.126389 || mean=4.377 |
inv transform: sigma^2=5.370740 || mean=5.361 |
sqrt: sigma^2=4.837502 || mean=4.141

# 3.4. VR hours



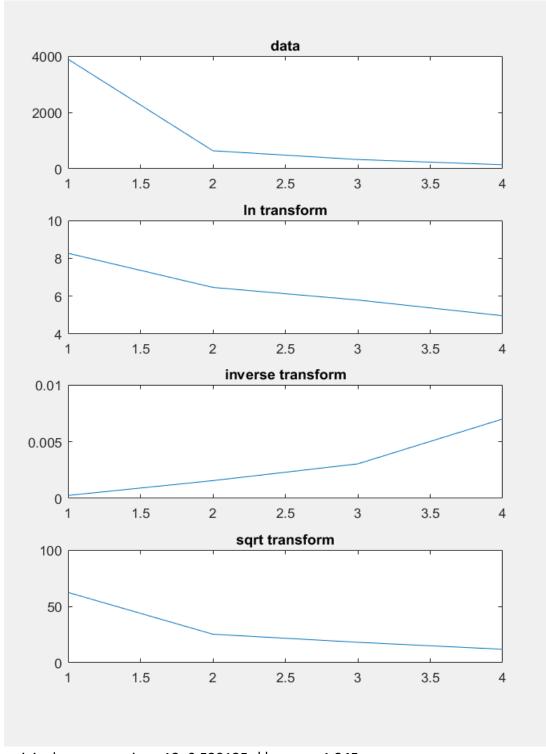
original: sigma^2=2.788993 || mean=2.360 |
In transform: sigma^2=5.040115 || mean=4.036 |
inv transform: sigma^2=2.217418 || mean=6.587 |
sqrt: sigma^2=4.325130 || mean=3.250

# 3.5. Music Production



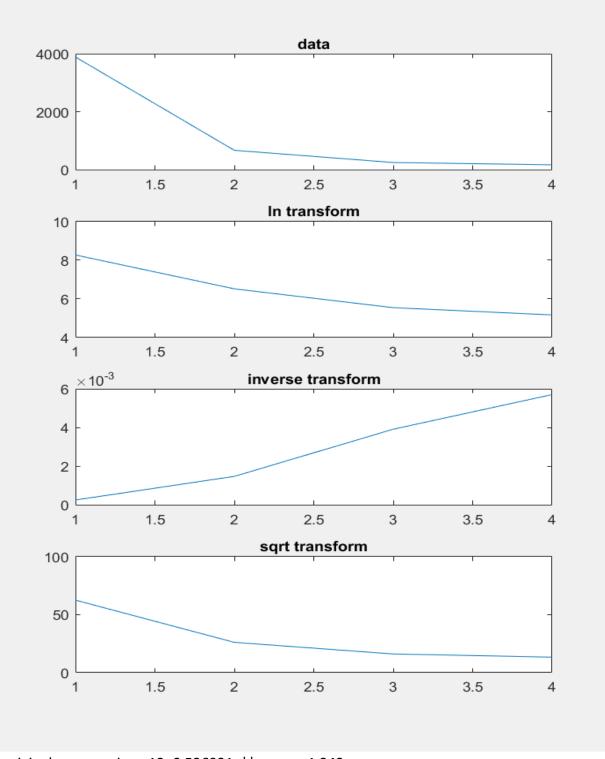
original: sigma^2=0.652636 || mean=1.498 |
In transform: sigma^2=1.229633 || mean=2.321 |
inv transform: sigma^2=0.665360 || mean=3.423 |
sqrt: sigma^2=1.065906 || mean=1.926

# 3.6. Live Music



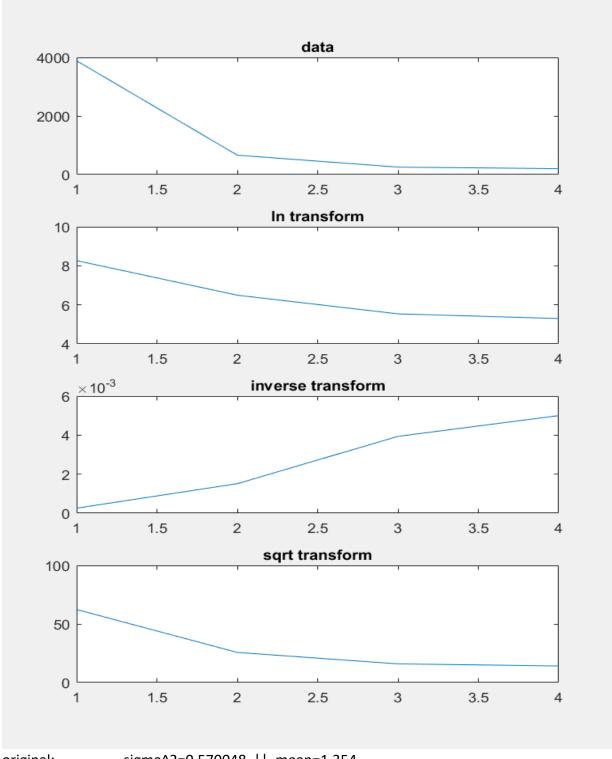
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In transform: sigma^2=1.245074 || mean=2.293 |
inv transform: sigma^2=0.636548 || mean=3.415 |
sqrt: sigma^2=1.060053 || mean=1.827

# 3.7. Sound Design



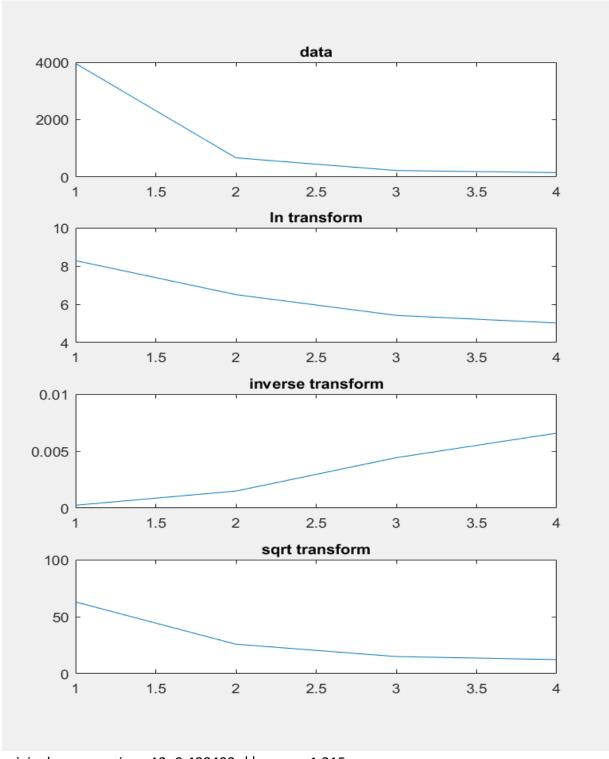
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In transform: sigma^2=1.263253 || mean=2.298 |
inv transform: sigma^2=0.615758 || mean=3.327 |
sqrt: sigma^2=1.087473 || mean=1.830

# 3.8. Audio Engineering



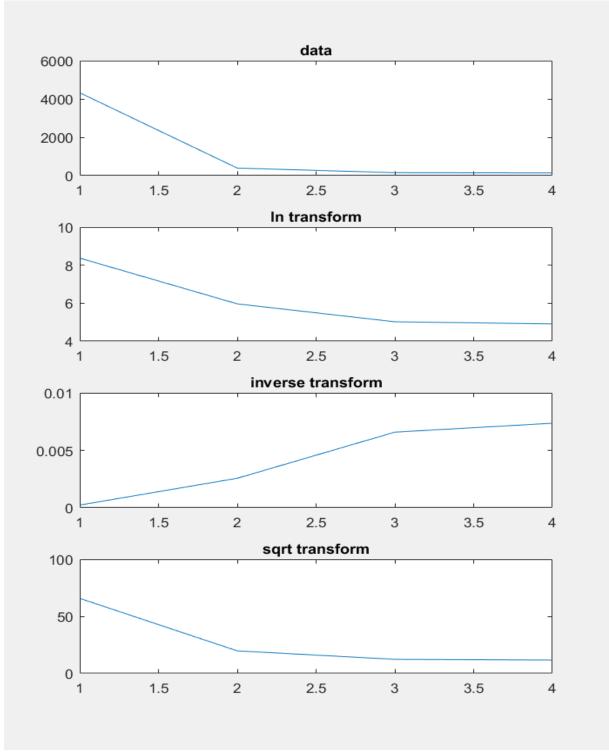
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In transform: sigma^2=1.272797 || mean=2.307 |
inv transform: sigma^2=0.627306 || mean=3.278 |
sqrt: sigma^2=1.117966 || mean=1.847

# 3.9. Game Design



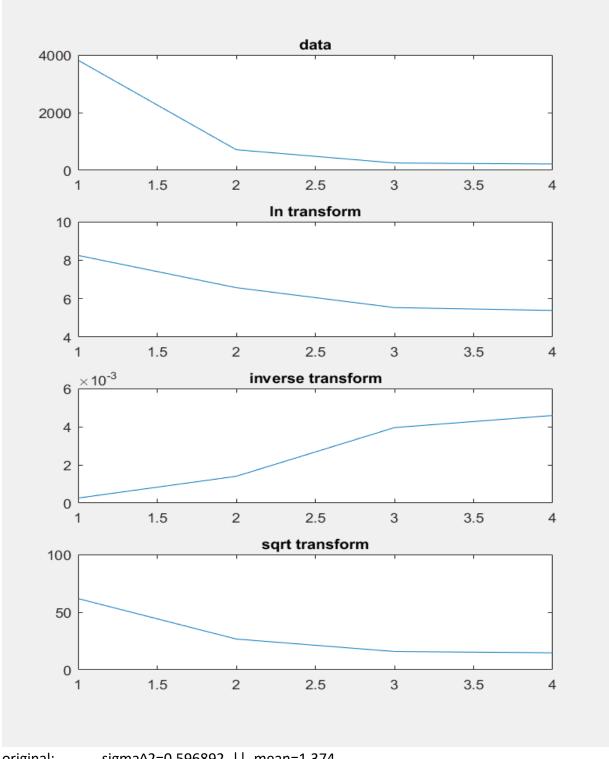
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In transform: sigma^2=1.258452 || mean=2.285 |
inv transform: sigma^2=0.583754 || mean=3.359 |
sqrt: sigma^2=1.056007 || mean=1.800

# 3.10. VR/AR Content



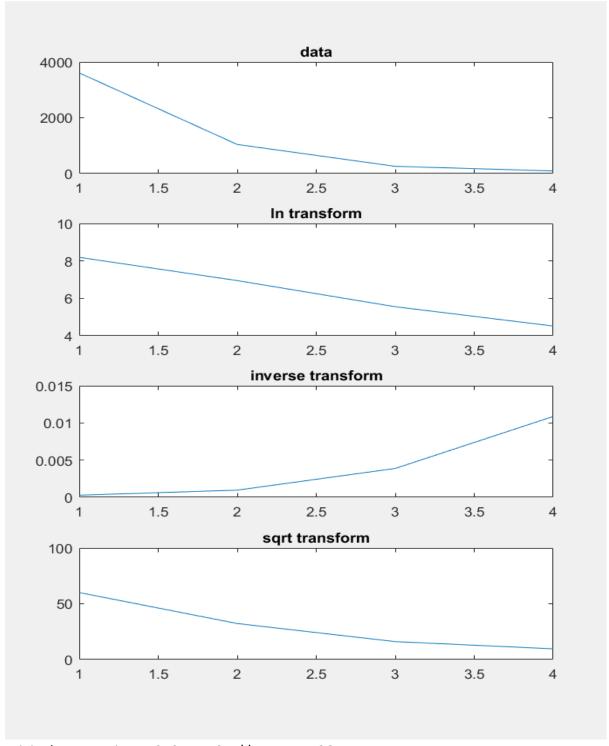
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In transform: sigma^2=1.290158 || mean=2.267 |
inv transform: sigma^2=0.581277 || mean=3.259 |
sqrt: sigma^2=1.063568 || mean=1.725

# 3.11. Film Production



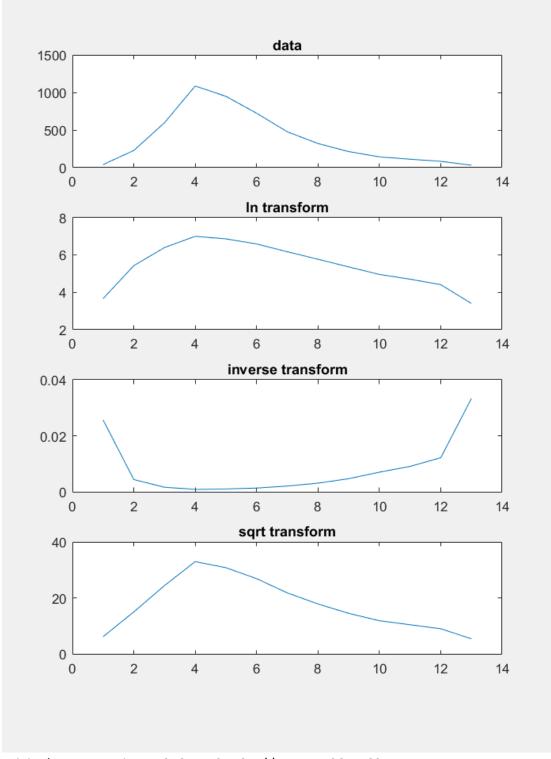
original: sigma^2=0.596892 || mean=1.374 |
In transform: sigma^2=1.274447 || mean=2.313 |
inv transform: sigma^2=0.621661 || mean=3.261 |
sqrt: sigma^2=1.128798 || mean=1.863

# 3.12. Live Streaming



original: sigma^2=0.445787 || mean=1.367 | ln transform: sigma^2=1.197829 || mean=2.254 | inv transform: sigma^2=0.466709 || mean=3.585 | sqrt: sigma^2=0.925914 || mean=1.790

# 3.13. Age Distribution



original: sigma^2=355.521484 || mean=384.769

In transform: sigma^2=1.170818 || mean=5.437 inv transform: sigma^2=0.010152 || mean=0.008 sqrt: sigma^2=9.182369 || mean=17.520

# 3.14. Summary of data and linear transformation distributions

	dataset	Original data						
type	specific	sigma^2	mean	ratio				
	Music	2.685184	4.426	0.606684139				
hours	Movies & TV	2.325621	3.444	0.675267422				
Hours	Gaming	4.386561	3.85	1.139366494				
	VR	2.788993	2.36	1.181776695				
	Music Production	0.652636	1.498	0.435671562				
	Performing Live Music	0.529135	1.345	0.393408922				
	Sound Design	0.536931	1.342	0.400097615				
Creation	Audio Engineering	0.570048	1.354	0.42101034				
Creation	Game Design	0.488493	1.315	0.371477567				
	VR/AR Content	0.395685	1.22	0.324331967				
	Film Production	0.596892	1.374	0.434419214				
	Livre Streaming	0.445787	1.367	0.326106072				
Misc	Age Group	5.438233	5.51	0.986975136				

	dataset	In transform						
type	specific	sigma^2	mean	ratio				
	Music	4.75662	4.516	1.053281665				
hours	Movies & TV	4.727641	4.187	1.129123716				
Hours	Gaming	5.126389	4.377	1.171210647				
	VR	5.040115	4.036	1.248789643				
	Music Production	1.229633	2.321	0.529785868				
	Performing Live Music	1.245074	2.293	0.542989097				
	Sound Design	1.263253	2.298	0.549718451				
Creation	Audio Engineering	1.272797	2.307	0.55171088				
Creation	Game Design	1.258452	2.285	0.550744858				
	VR/AR Content	1.290158	2.267	0.569103661				
	Film Production	1.274447	2.313	0.550993083				
	Livre Streaming	1.197829	2.254	0.531423691				
Misc	Age Group	11.866237	6.669	1.779312791				

	dataset	inv transform						
type	specific	sigma^2	mean	ratio				
	Music	8.07925	4.074	1.983124693				
hours	Movies & TV	3.799341	6.516	0.583078729				
liours	Gaming	5.37074	5.361	1.001816825				
	VR	2.217418	6.587	0.336635494				
	Music Production	0.66536	3.423	0.1943792				
	Performing Live Music	0.636548	3.415	0.186397657				
	Sound Design	0.615758	3.327	0.18507905				
Creation	Audio Engineering	0.627306	3.278	0.191368517				
Creation	Game Design	0.583754	3.359	0.173788032				
	VR/AR Content	0.581277	3.259	0.17836054				
	Film Production	0.621661	3.261	0.190635081				
	Livre Streaming	0.466709	3.585	0.130183821				
Misc	Age Group	24.561157	8.333	2.947456738				

	dataset	sqrt transform						
type	specific	sigma^2	mean	ratio				
	Music	3.82171	4.493	0.850592032				
hours	Movies & TV	3.634996	3.773	0.963423271				
Hours	Gaming	4.837502	4.141	1.168196571				
	VR	4.32513	3.25	1.330809231				
	Music Production	1.065906	1.926	0.553429907				
	Performing Live Music	1.060053	1.827	0.580215107				
	Sound Design	1.087473	1.83	0.594247541				
Creation	Audio Engineering	1.117966	1.847	0.605287493				
Creation	Game Design	1.056007	1.8	0.586670556				
	VR/AR Content	1.063568	1.725	0.616561159				
	Film Production	1.128798	1.863	0.605903382				
	Livre Streaming	0.925914	1.79	0.517270391				
Misc	Age Group	8.988518	6.142	1.463451319				

It is noticeable that at least one of each transformations for a given data dimension looks similar to a Gaussian distribution or to a La Placian distribution. This conclusion results in the choice of the Euclidean and Manhalabis methods.

The excel sheet with the complete summary of the linear transformation analysis can be found on the spread sheet <u>linear transformation analysis.xlsx</u>

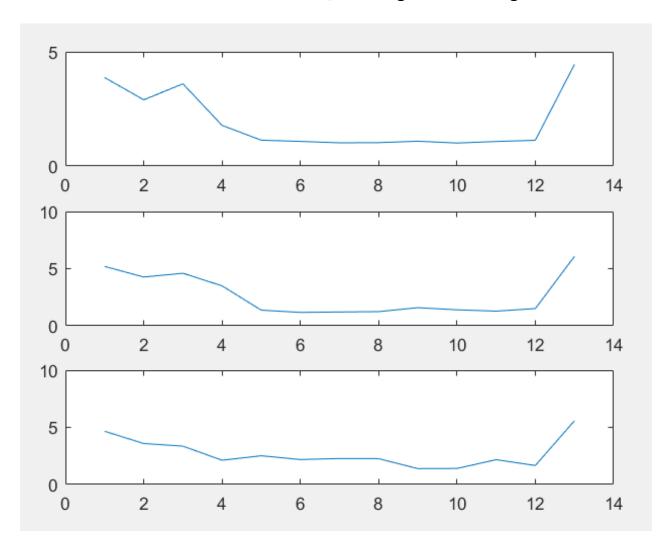
## 4. Results: Euclidean distance vs Mahalanobis distance

In this section, we will analyze the clusters that resulted from the Euclidean k-mean method and Mahalanobis k-mean method. The main difference between the two is that the Mahalanobis utilizes the inverse of the covariance matrix as a weighting factor to calculate the distance between the classifier mean and the data points.

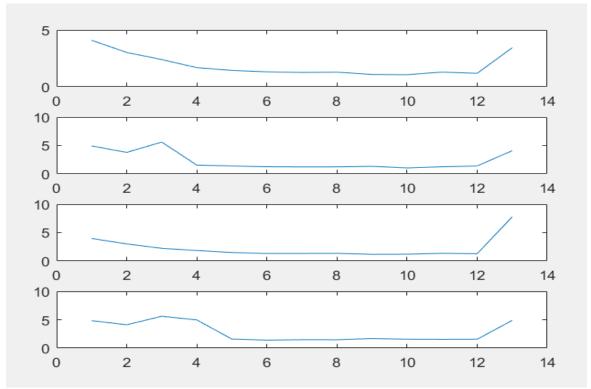
In the following graphs the x axis represents the number of the question (dimension ordered in the same way as the previous sections) and the y-axis represents the response value (equivalent to the x-axis on page XX).

The final results of this analysis is elaborated on the document: Final Analysis.xlsx

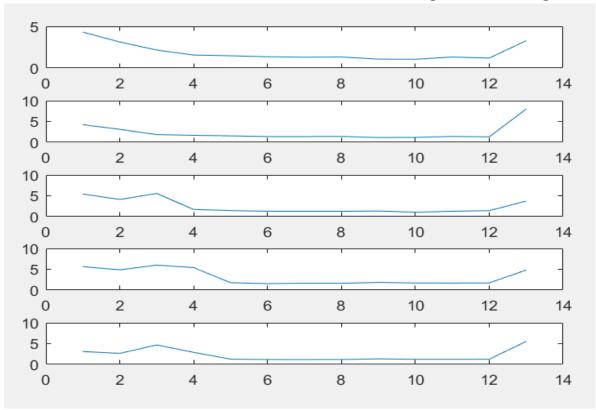
# 4.1. Euclidean distance with 3 clusters, resulting cluster averages:



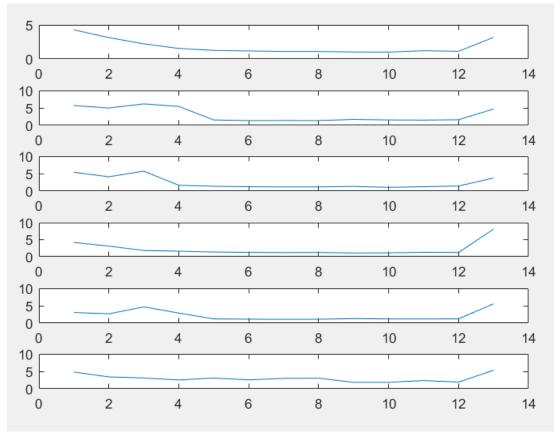
# 4.2. Euclidean distance with 4 clusters, resulting cluster averages:



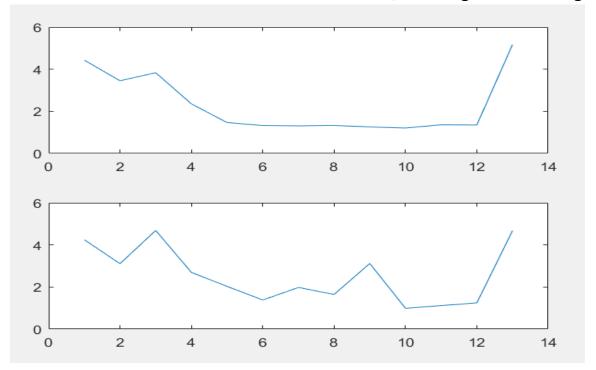
# 4.3. Euclidean distance with 5 clusters, resulting cluster averages:



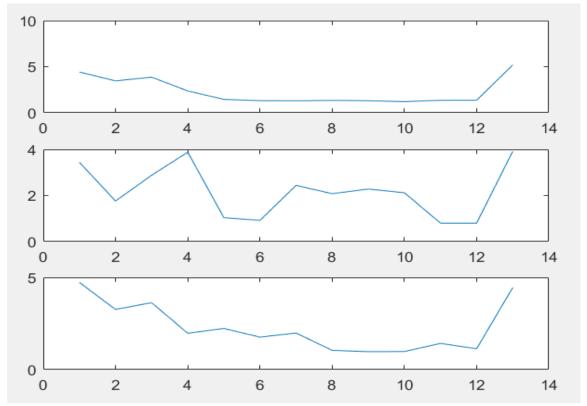
# 4.4. Euclidean distance with 6 clusters, resulting cluster averages:



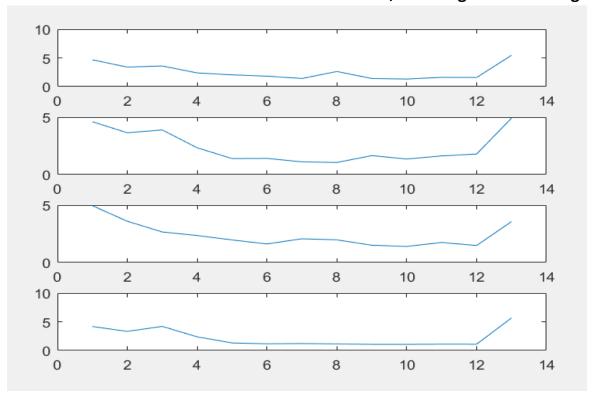
# 4.5. Mahalanobis distance with 2 clusters, resulting cluster averages:



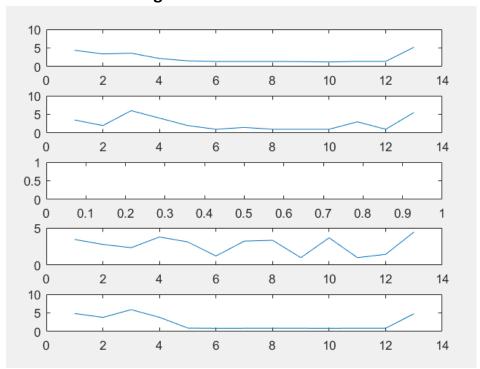
# 4.6. Mahalanobis distance with 3 clusters, resulting cluster averages:



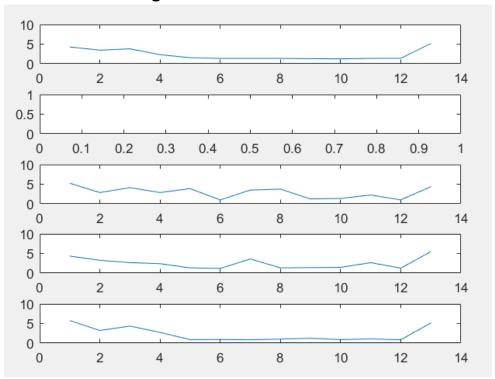
# 4.7. Mahalanobis distance with 4 clusters, resulting cluster averages:



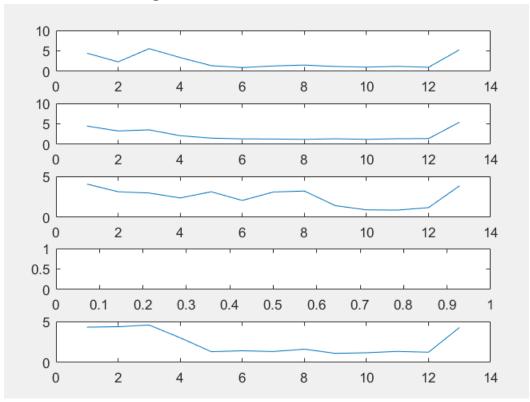
# 4.8. Mahalanobis distance with 5 clusters (k-means method 1), resulting cluster averages:



# 4.9. Mahalanobis distance with 5 clusters (k-means method 2), resulting cluster averages:



# 4.10. Mahalanobis distance with 5 clusters (k-means method 3), resulting cluster averages:



## 4.11. Choice of Results

Choice of clustering analysis **Euclidean distance with 4 clusters.** The choice was based on the nicely distribution of class sizes (24%, 27%, 29% and 20%) as well as the value of the standard deviation of each class, which is smaller than that of Euclidean with 3 classifiers and also smaller than that of Euclidean with 5 classifiers. We also note that the

Gaussian classifier did not work very well (given distribution sizes and standard deviations). I believe that has happened because the data for dimensions 5 to 12 are distributed in a very steep La Placian manner. This has probably set the weight of the covariance matrix way off which caused the distributions to be so uneven.

					Ei	uclidean (	Classifi	ers										
		Class:	1		Class 2			Class 3			Class 4	4		Class	5	Class 6		
	size	s % of	stdv	size	is % of	stdv	size	as % of	stdv	size	as % of	stdv	size	s % of	stdv	size	s % of	stdv
Euclidean Classifier 3 Classes	2555	50%	14.498	1521	30%	22.684	1002	20%	23.0222									
Euclidean Classifier 4 Classes	1229	24%	12.943	1352	27%	12.011	1472	29%	13.0672	1025	20%	18.799						
Euclidean Classifier 5 Classes	1037	20%	12.796	1192	23%	12.49	1139	22%	11.8962	588	12%	19.477	1122	22%	11.192			
Euclidean Classifier 6 Classes	946	19%	10.964	550	11%	16.701	1036	20%	10.8704	1074	21%	10.489	1056	21%	10.515	416	8%	20.268
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# 5. Insights & Conclusion

### 5.1. Overview of Best Result

According to this analysis there are likely 4 main types of buyers who purchased OSSIC headphones on Kickstarter (output from Euclidean Classifier with 4 Classes yields best results, check previous section). Each of these buyers' characteristics are represented by the mean of their respective classes.

### Means:

### Class 1

4.0928 3.0269 2.3987 1.6900 1.4426 1.3173 1.2685 1.2913 1.0862 1.0643 1.2986 1.1847 3.4386

### Class 2

4.9231 3.7892 5.6050 1.5525 1.3964 1.2641 1.2308 1.2426 1.3336 1.0621 1.2544 1.3994 4.0873

### Class 3

3.9613 3.0129 2.2283 1.8499 1.4946 1.3322 1.3390 1.3546 1.1726 1.1957 1.3628 1.2833 7.7683

### Class 4

4.8351 4.1073 5.6049 4.9629 1.5941 1.4049 1.4820 1.4732 1.6722 1.5610 1.5385 1.5610 4.8761

### Class distributions:

	Class 1			Class 2			Class 3		Class 4			
	size			size			size			size		
siz	as % of		siz	as % of		siz	as % of		siz	as % of		
е	total	stdv	е	total	stdv	е	total	stdv	е	total	stdv	
12		12.9	13		12.01	14		13.06	10		18.79	
29	24%	43	52	27%	09	72	29%	72	25	20%	92	

Let's now translate each of the means to readable response values:

Do you plan on listening to music using your OSSIC X? If so, for how many hours per week? 16-24h 24-35h 8-16h Do you plan on watching movies or TV shows using your OSSIC X? If so, for how many hours per week? 8-16h 1-2h Do you plan on using your OSSIC X for gaming? If so, for how many hours per week? Do you plan on using your OSSIC X with virtual reality? If so, for how many hours per week? 8-16h 16-24h To what level do you create content in the following? Music production Serious Hobbyist Professional Performing live music (band, DJ, singer etc.) Serious Hobbyist Professional Amateur None Sound design Amateur Serious Hobbyist Professional Audio engineering Serious Hobbyist None Amateur Professional Game design Serious Hobbyist None Amateur Professional Amateur Serious Hobbyist Professional Film production Serious Hobbyist Professional None Amateur Live Streaming Serious Hobbyist Professional Amateur Your Age Answer 17- 18-20 21-24 25-29 30-34 35-39 40-44 45-49 50-54 55-59 60-64 65+ Class 1 - The Music Enthusiasts Class 2 - The Gamers Class 3 - The Middle Aged Geeks Class 4 - The Heavy Users

### 5.2. Class 1 – The Music Enthusiasts

This Group of customers represent 24% of all Kickstarter backers. Their most prominent characteristic is their high interest for music. They estimate using OSSIC to listen to music above anything else and have Amateur Proficiency in Music Production, Performing Live Music, Sound Design, Audio Engineering and Film Production. It is interesting to note that they seem to not spend as much time connected as the other 3 classes, even for hours listening to music they rank below classes 3 and 4. They are in their late 20s/early 30s.

Size

1229

Size as % of total

24%

Standard Deviation (stdv is a measure of accuracy of the classifier, smaller stdv = better classifier)

12.943 = 1 average error over all dimensions

**Detailed answers** 

Do you plan on listening to music using your OSSIC X? If so, for how many hours per week? 4.0928 = 8.5-16.5h

Do you plan on watching movies or TV shows using your OSSIC X? If so, for how many hours per week?

3.0269 = 4-8h

Do you plan on using your OSSIC X for gaming? If so, for how many hours per week? 2.3987 = 3-6h

Do you plan on using your OSSIC X with virtual reality? If so, for how many hours per week? 1.6900 = 1.5-3h

To what level do you create content in the following?

Music production

1.4426 = Amateur

Performing live music (band, DJ, singer etc.)

1.3173 = Amateur/None

# Sound design

1.2685 = None

# Audio engineering

1.2913 = Amateur/None

# Game design

1.0862 = None

# VR/AR content creation

1.0643 = None

# Film production

1.2986 = Amateur/None

# **Live Streaming**

1.1847 = None

# Your Age

3.4386 = 28-33 Years Old



### 5.3. Class 2 – The Gamers

This Group of customers is the second largest of all four and represent 27% of Kickstarter backers. Their most prominent characteristic is their high interest for games. They have the highest time allocation for using OSSIC to game (even above the heavy users) and have Amateur Proficiency in Music Production, Game Design and Live Streaming. It is interesting to note that this class plans on allocating a lot of time to watching movies or TVs also, which probably means that they are very active on platforms like Netflix. Their interest in Live Streaming also gives us insights in how to reach them through platforms like twitch. They are in their mid-20s.

Size

1352

Size as % of total

27%

Standard Deviation (stdv is a measure of accuracy of the classifier, smaller stdv = better classifier)

12.0109 = 0.96 average error over all dimensions

Do you plan on listening to music using your OSSIC X? If so, for how many hours per week? 4.9231 = 16-24h

Do you plan on watching movies or TV shows using your OSSIC X? If so, for how many hours per week?

3.7892 = 7-14h

Do you plan on using your OSSIC X for gaming? If so, for how many hours per week? 5.6050 = 20-30h

Do you plan on using your OSSIC X with virtual reality? If so, for how many hours per week? 1.5525 = 1.5-3h

To what level do you create content in the following?

Music production

1.3964 = Amateur

Performing live music (band, DJ, singer etc.)

1.2641 = Amateur/None

Sound design

1.2308 = Amateur/None

Audio engineering

1.2426 = Amateur/None

Game design

1.3336 = Amateur/None

VR/AR content creation

1.0621 = None

Film production

1.2544 = Amateur/None

Live Streaming

1.3994 = Amateur

Your Age

4.0873 = 25-29yo



# 5.4. Class 3 – The Middle-Aged Enthusiasts

This Group of customers is the largest among all four and represent 29% of Kickstarter backers. Their most prominent characteristic is their age that averages around 40 to 50 years old. They rank low in hours allocated to all 4 options (music, tv, gaming and VR) which is probably a consequence of their relatively older age. They are particularly not interested in gaming and their two highest allocations of time are music and TV/Movies respectively. Their interests are relatively similar to those of class 1 (Music Enthusiasts) having amateur proficiency in Music Production, Performing Live Music, Sound Design, Audio Engineering and Film Production.

Size

1472

29%

Size as % of total

Standard Deviation (stdv is a measure of accuracy of the classifier, smaller stdv = better classifier)

13.0672 = 1 average error over all dimensions

Do you plan on listening to music using your OSSIC X? If so, for how many hours per week? 3.9613 = 8-16h

Do you plan on watching movies or TV shows using your OSSIC X? If so, for how many hours per week?

3.0129 = 4-8h

Do you plan on using your OSSIC X for gaming? If so, for how many hours per week? 2.2283 = 2.2-5h

Do you plan on using your OSSIC X with virtual reality? If so, for how many hours per week? 1.8499 = 1.8-3.5h

To what level do you create content in the following?

Music production

1.4946 = Amateur

Performing live music (band, DJ, singer etc.)

1.3322 = Amateur/None

# Sound design

1.3390 = Amateur/None

# Audio engineering

1.3546 = Amateur/None

# Game design

1.1726 = None

# VR/AR content creation

1.1957 = Amateur/None

## Film production

1.3628 = Amateur/None

# Live Streaming

1.2833 = Amateur/None

Your Age

7.7683 = 43-48 Years Old



# 5.5. Class 4 – The Heavy Users/VR Enthusiasts

This Group of customers represent 20% of all Kickstarter backers and is the smallest among the four. This group seems to have classic characteristics of early adopters and their most prominent feature is their high interest for all applications of OSSIC, specially VR. Their estimate of time allocation for Virtual Reality is incredibly high when compared to all other classes and they are the only ones who demonstrate proficiency in VR/AR content development. They also demonstrate a higher level of proficiency, when compared to all other classes, in content development for all applications, having a particularly high proficiency in game design. They are in their early/mid 30s.

Size

1025

Size as % of total

20%

Standard Deviation (stdv is a measure of accuracy of the classifier, smaller stdv = better classifier)

18.7992 = 1.2025 average error over all dimensions

Do you plan on listening to music using your OSSIC X? If so, for how many hours per week? 4.8351 = 14-22h

Do you plan on watching movies or TV shows using your OSSIC X? If so, for how many hours per week?

4.1073 = 9-18h

Do you plan on using your OSSIC X for gaming? If so, for how many hours per week? 5.6049 = 20-30h

Do you plan on using your OSSIC X with virtual reality? If so, for how many hours per week? 4.9629 = 16-24h

To what level do you create content in the following?

Music production

1.5941 = Amateur

Performing live music (band, DJ, singer etc.)

1.4049 = Amateur

Sound design

1.4820 = Amateur

Audio engineering

1.4732 = Amateur

Game design

1.6722 = Amateur

VR/AR content creation

1.5610 = Amateur

Film production

1.5385 = Amateur

Live Streaming

1.5610 = Amateur

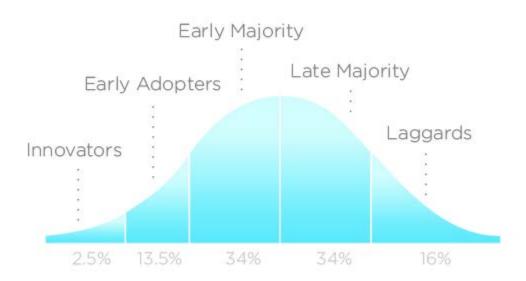
Your Age

4.8761 = 29-33 Years Old



# 5.6. Overall Insights

- 92% of all Kickstarter backers are males
- Most classes don't plan on using OSSIC for VR applications (80% of total) for more than 1.5 hour/week. This doesn't mean that they are not interested in VR but might give us some interesting insights on how to allocate marketing budgets to better reach our audience.
- The fact that the launch was done on Kickstarter probably affected the results of this analysis. For instance, half of the backers have the music enthusiast profile (class 1 and 3). My guess is that this happened because we launched the product under the headphone/music category (naturally music enthusiasts would find the product at this specific platform). This gives us an insight that selling OSSIC through crowdfunding platforms might not effectively reach all the other groups of consumers. My gut feeling is that gamers are more numerous than music enthusiast (which is not the case for this survey result) but we are not effectively reaching them through this crowdfunding platform.
- The results of this analysis are most likely a representation of our innovators market segment. The demographic characteristics and distribution of our consumers will likely change as our product becomes more mainstream.



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