## Indian Institute of Technology Jodhpur CSL2010: Introduction to Machine Learning Lab 6&7, Due Date: Oct 5, 2025, Max Marks: 70+30 for Viva

1. Consider the dataset  $\mathcal{D} = \{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$  given in the file dataset.txt. Here, each point  $x_i \in \mathbb{R}^2$  is described by two features. The last column of the sheet contains the ground-truth cluster labels. However, these labels will only be used to measure the performance and will not be used anywhere in the training. Now, do the following:

## k-Means Clustering Algorithm

- (a) Implement the k-Means algorithm to cluster the points into two clusters. You can use any two data points from the dataset  $\mathcal{D}$  uniformly at random to initialize the cluster centres. **[Compulsory to implement in the lab 6]**.
- (b) Plot the obtained clusters using the *k*-Means algorithm with different colors for each cluster.
- (c) In order to evaluate the performance of the *k*-Means algorithm, find the percentage of the points for which the estimated cluster labels are correct.

## **Spectral Clustering Algorithm:**

(a) Use the similarity function  $W_{ij} = \begin{cases} e^{-\frac{\|\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j\|_2^2}{\sigma}}, & \text{if } i \neq j \\ 0 & \text{if } i = j \end{cases}$  to define the adjacency matrix  $\mathbf{W} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ .

Choose the appropriate value of  $\sigma$ . Define the degree matrix  $D \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  where  $D_{rr} = \sum\limits_{i=1}^n W_{ri}$  and then the Laplacian matrix as L = D - W. Now, find the eigenvalue decomposition of the Laplacian matrix as  $Lu_i = \lambda_i u_i$ . Ensure that  $\lambda_1 \leq \lambda_2 \leq \cdots \leq \lambda_n$ . You can use any inbuilt function to find the eigenvalue-eigenvector decomposition of the Laplacian matrix L.

## [Compulsory to implement in the lab 7].

- (b) Let  $\mathbb{H} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{r}_1^\top \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{r}_n^\top \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times 2}$  be the optimal cluster assignment matrix where  $\mathbf{r}_i \in \mathbb{R}^2$  represents the spectral embedding of the data point  $\mathbf{x}_i$ . Plot the spectral embeddings and verify that the two clusters are now linearly separable.
- (c) Perform the k-means clustering on the spectral embeddings  $\{r_1, \ldots, r_n\}$ . Plot the obtained clusters with different colors.
- (d) In order to evaluate the performance of the spectral clustering algorithm, find the percentage of the points for which the estimated cluster labels are correct.