

CSCA 5632

Unsupervised Algorithms in Machine Learning Final Project



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GitHub Link

<https://github.com/xllcheryl/Unsupervised-Algorithms-in-Machine-Learning-Final-Project.git>

The screenshot shows the GitHub interface for a repository named 'Unsupervised-Algorithms-in-Machine-Learning-Final-Project' by user 'xllcheryl'. The repository is public and has 1 branch and 0 tags. The main branch is selected. The repository contains four files: 'Mall_Customers.csv', 'README.md', 'customer_segmentation_results.csv', and 'usl.ipynb'. The README file is open, showing the title 'Unsupervised-Algorithms-in-Machine-Learning-Final-Project', a section for 'Code' stating 'All code is in usl.ipynb', and a section for 'Data' stating 'Data is: Mall_Customers.csv'.

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README

Unsupervised-Algorithms-in-Machine-Learning-Final-Project

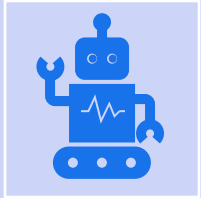
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Data

Data is: Mall_Customers.csv

1. Project Overview



Focuses on customer segmentation using unsupervised learning techniques.

K-Means

Gaussian Mixture Model

Hierarchical Clustering

DBSCAN



The goal is to identify distinct groups of customers based on their purchasing behavior and demographic characteristics.

This segmentation can help businesses develop targeted marketing strategies and personalized customer experiences.

2. Data Collection

Dataset Size: 200 records with 5 customer attributes

Collection Method: The data was likely collected through mall membership cards and customer surveys

The dataset used is the "Mall Customer Segmentation Data" from Kaggle, which contains basic information about mall customers.

- CustomerID
- Gender
- Age
- Annual Income (k\$)
- Spending Score (1-100)

Source URL: <https://www.kaggle.com/datasets/vjchoudhary7/customer-segmentation-tutorial-in-python>

Initial Inspection

	CustomerID	Gender	Age	Annual Income (k\$)	Spending Score (1- 100)
0	1	Male	19	15	39
1	2	Male	21	15	81
2	3	Female	20	16	6
3	4	Female	23	16	77
4	5	Female	31	17	40

3. Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA)

01

Distribution
analysis of all
features

02

Correlation
analysis between
variables

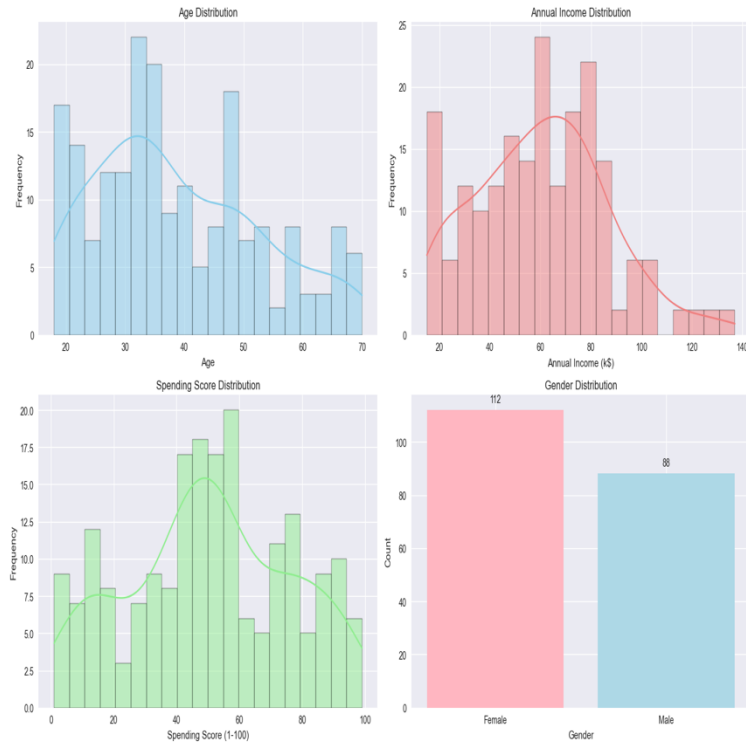
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Identification of
patterns and
relationships in
the data

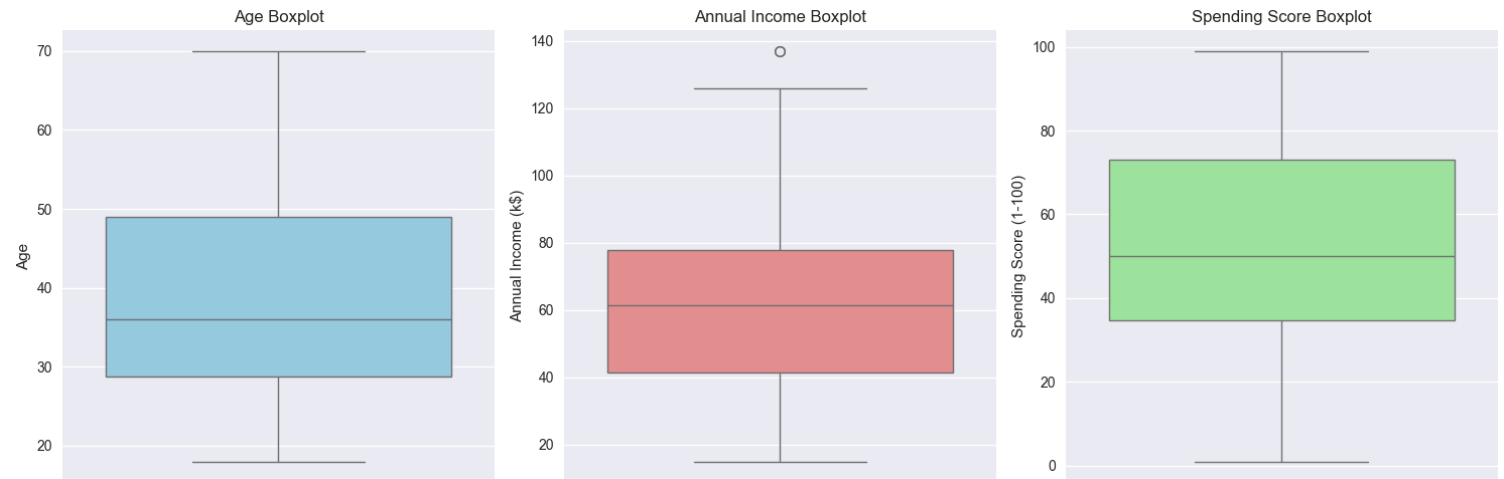
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Outlier detection
and treatment

Univariate Analysis



Distribution of numerical features

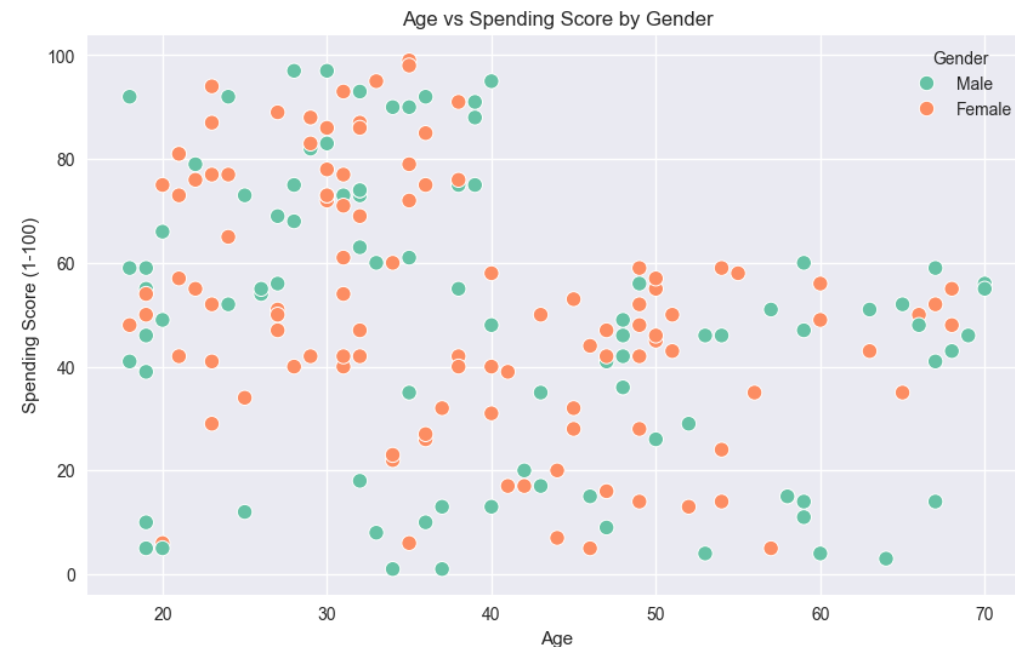
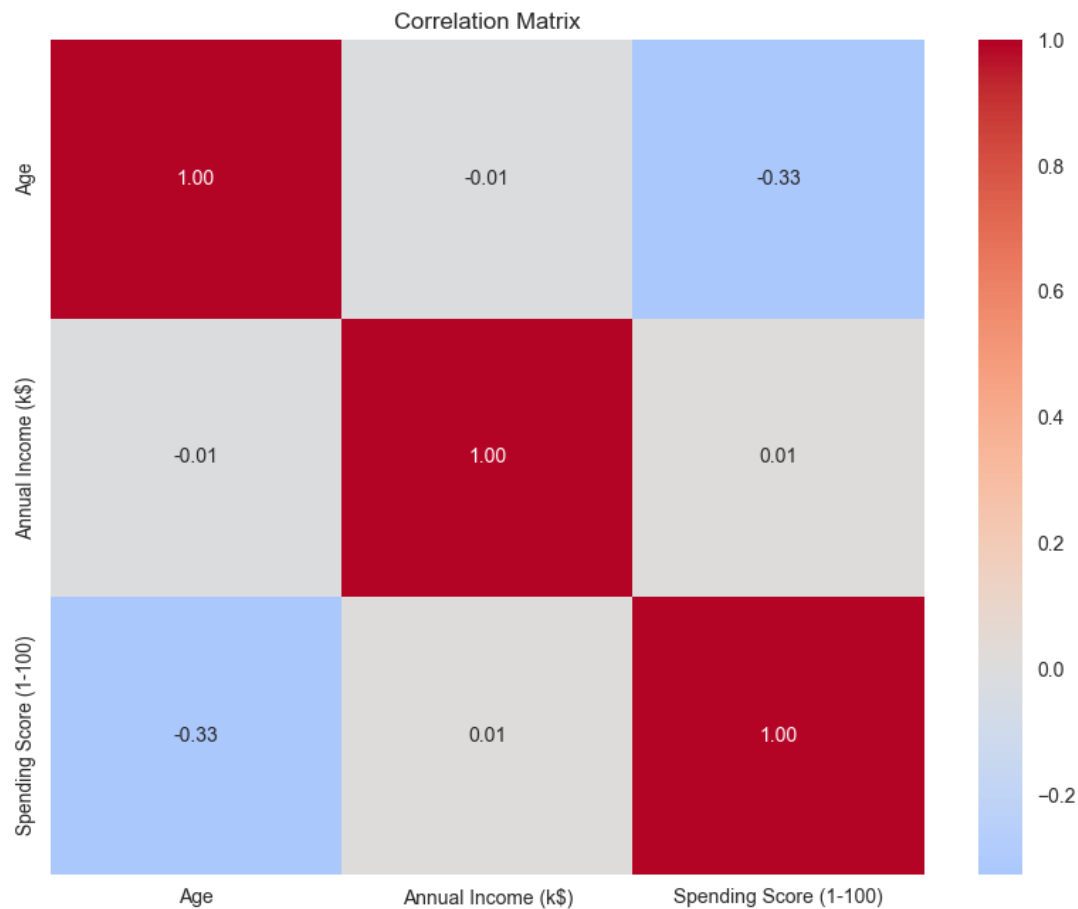


Boxplots for numerical features to identify outliers

Bivariate Analysis



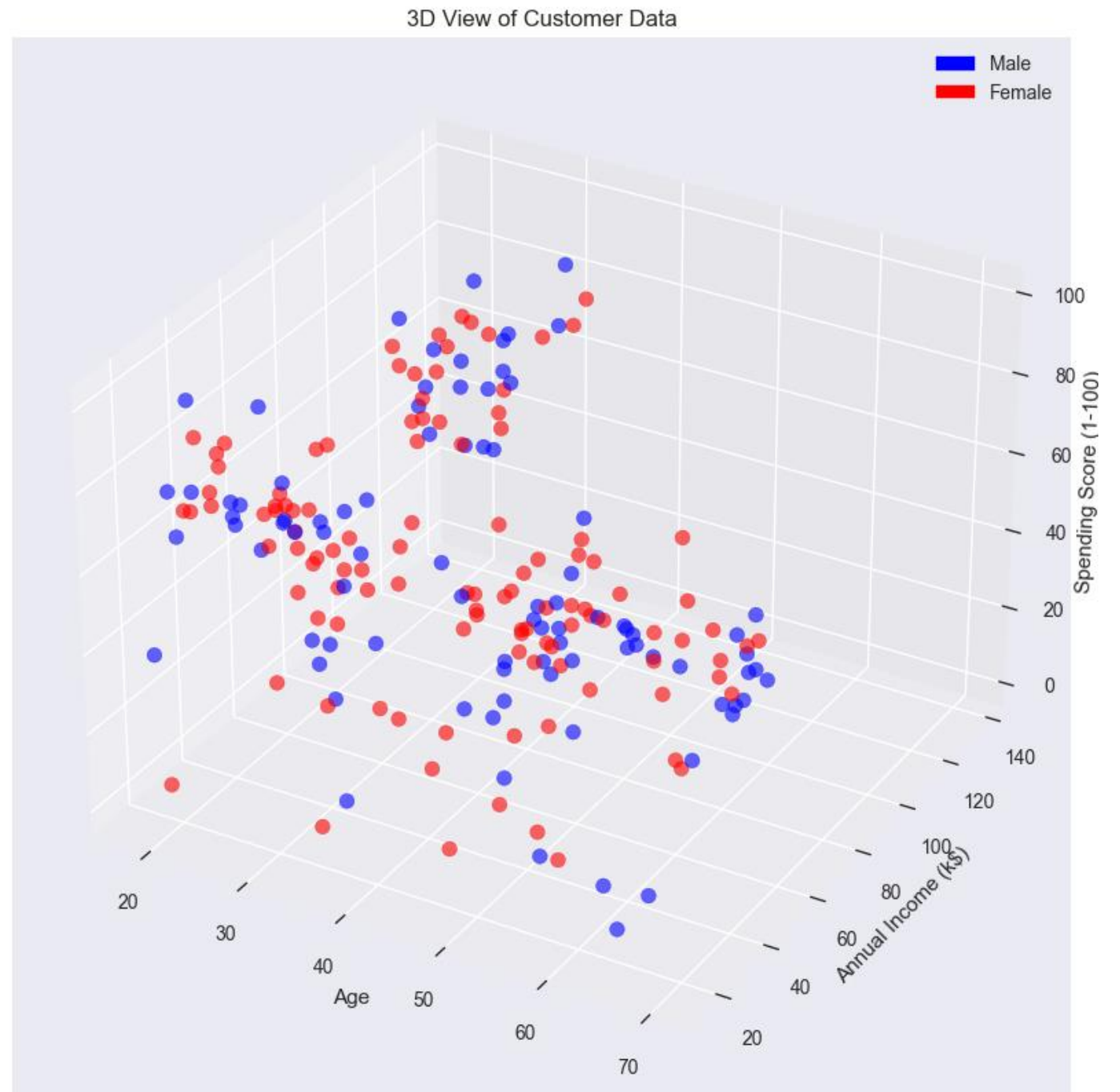
Correlation Analysis



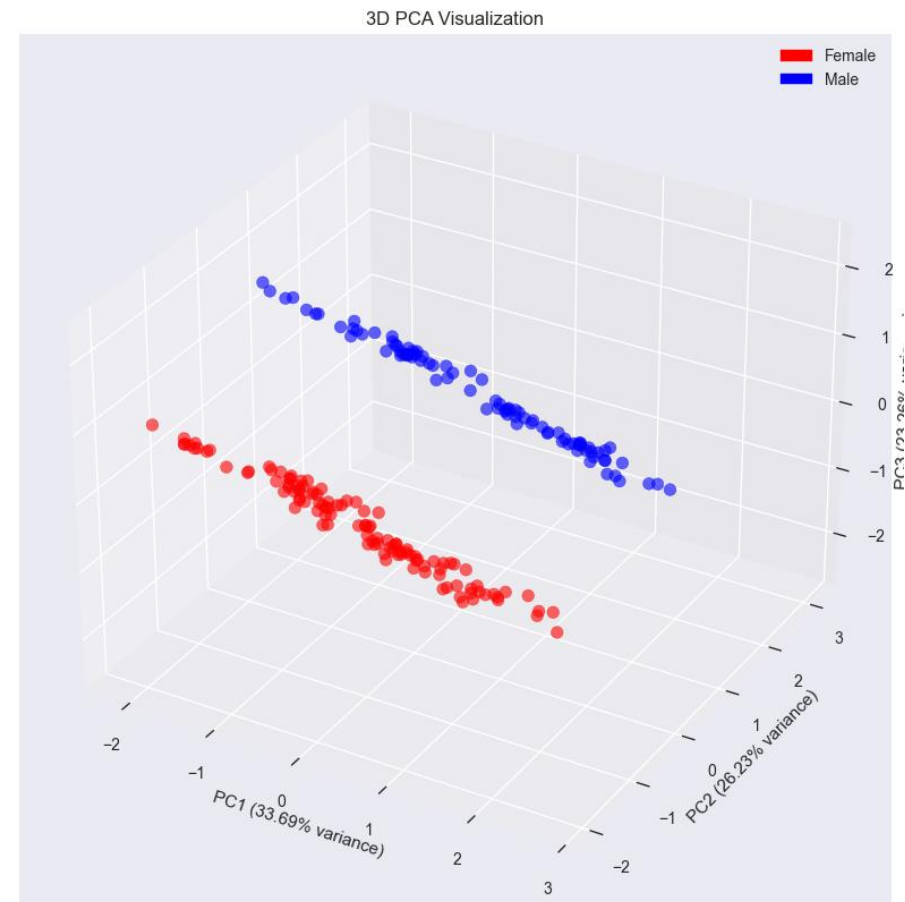
Distribution of spending by gender and age groups



Multivariate Analysis



Dimensionality Reduction with PCA



4. Model Building and Training



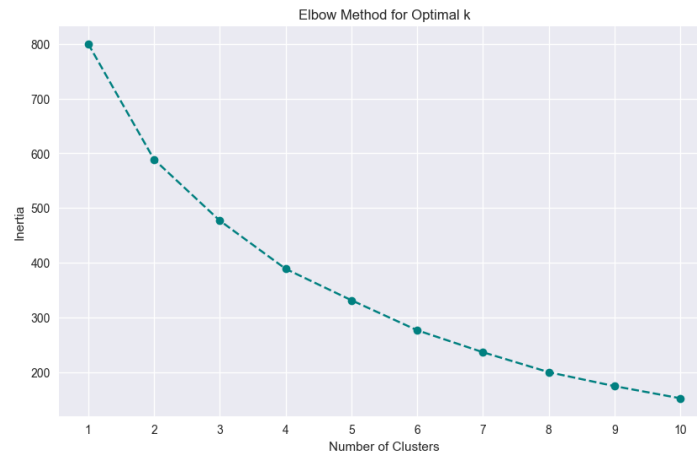
**Determining
Hyperparameter**

**Evaluation
Metrics**

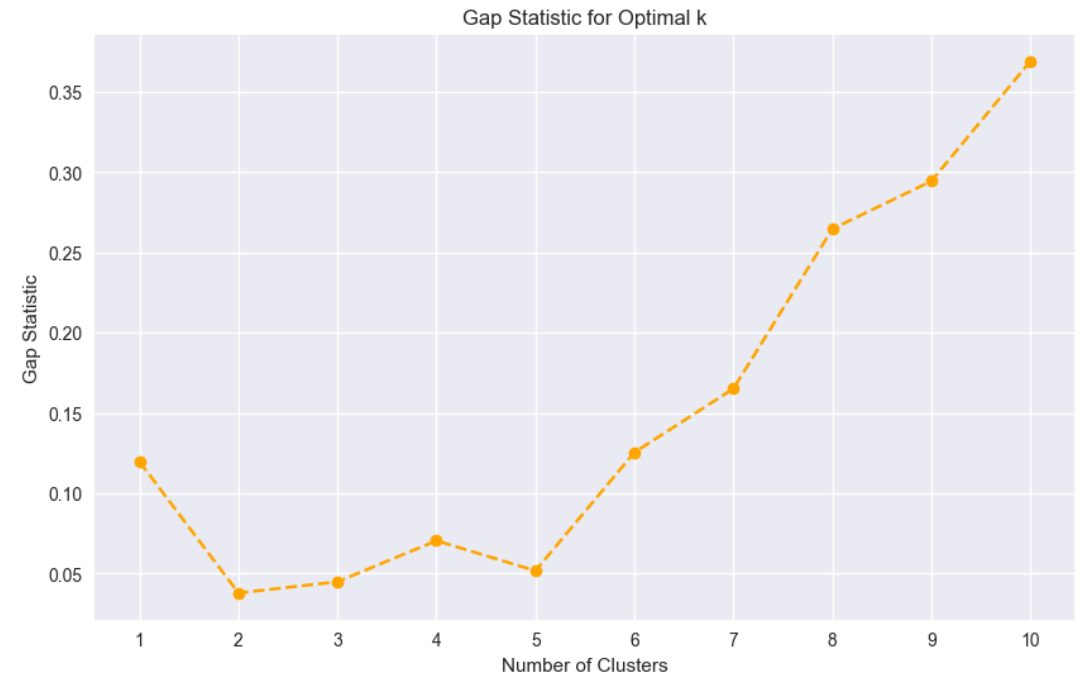
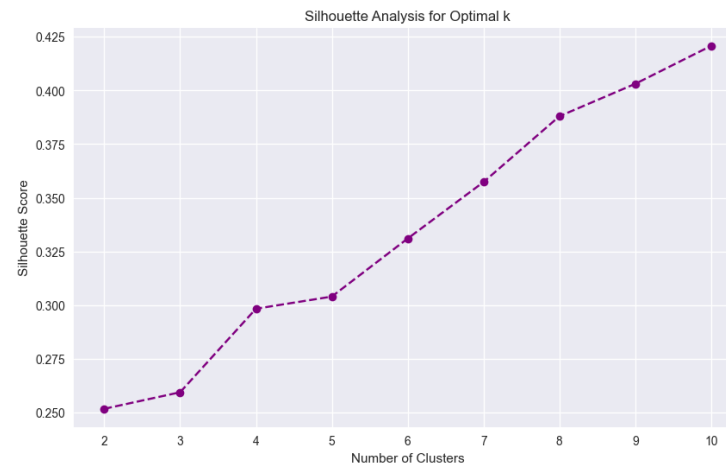
**Model Training
and Evaluation**

Determining Optimal Number of Clusters

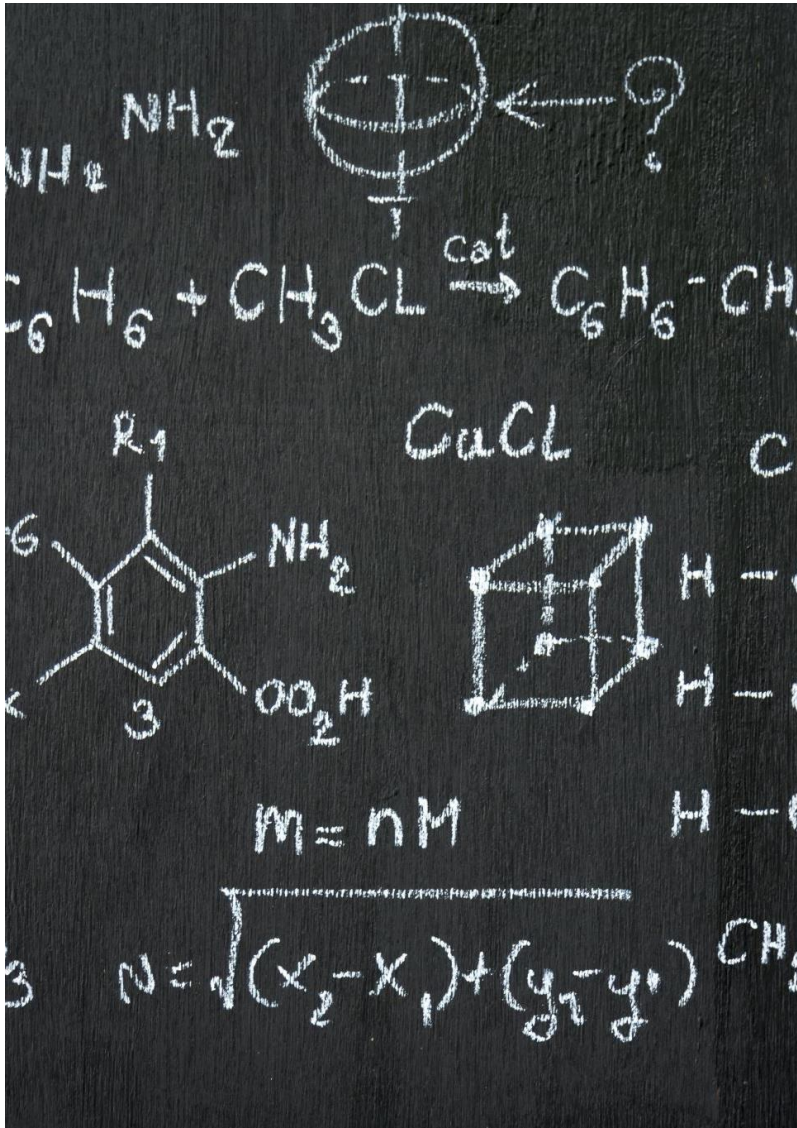
Elbow Method



Silhouette Analysis



Gap Statistic



Evaluation Metrics

- Silhouette Score
 - Measures how similar an object is to its own cluster compared to other clusters
- Calinski-Harabasz Index
 - Ratio of between-clusters dispersion to within-cluster dispersion
- Davies-Bouldin Index
 - Average similarity measure of each cluster with its most similar cluster

Model Training and Evaluation

Algorithm	Silhouette (↑)	Calinski-Harabasz (↑)	Davies-Bouldin (↓)	Notes
K-Means	0.304	68.965	1.167	Best overall metrics
GMM	0.222	45.817	1.211	Lower scores than K-Means
Hierarchical	0.287	64.469	1.220	Close 2nd place
DBSCAN	0.012	12.099	1.389	9 clusters + 105 noise points

5. Results and Analysis

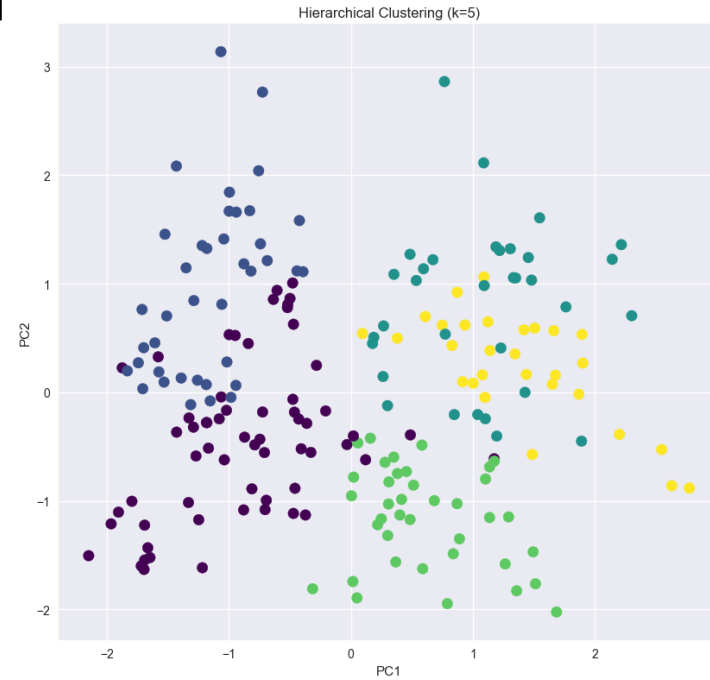
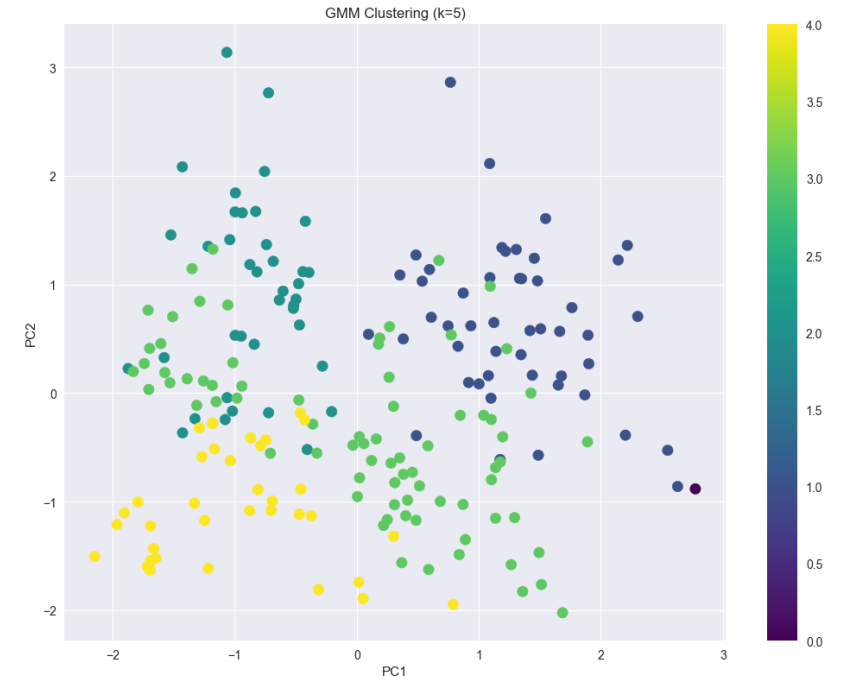
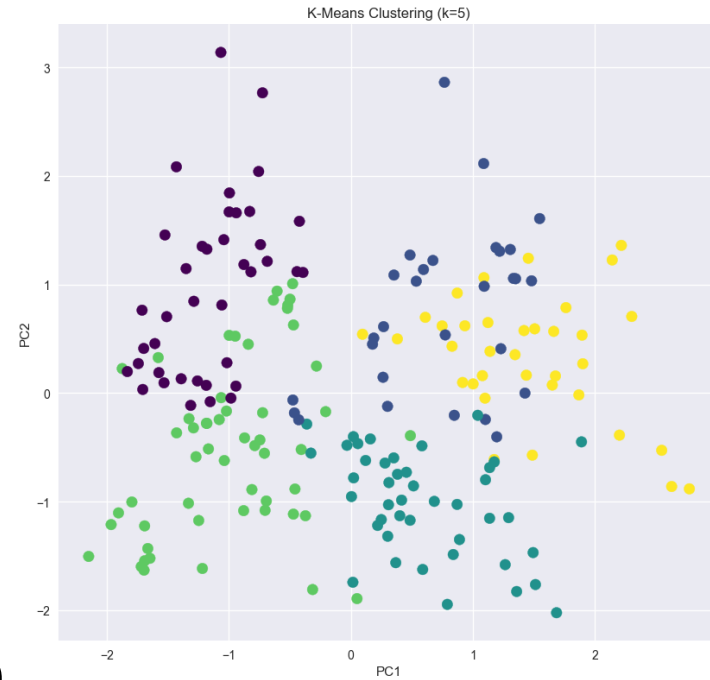


**Cluster
Visualization**

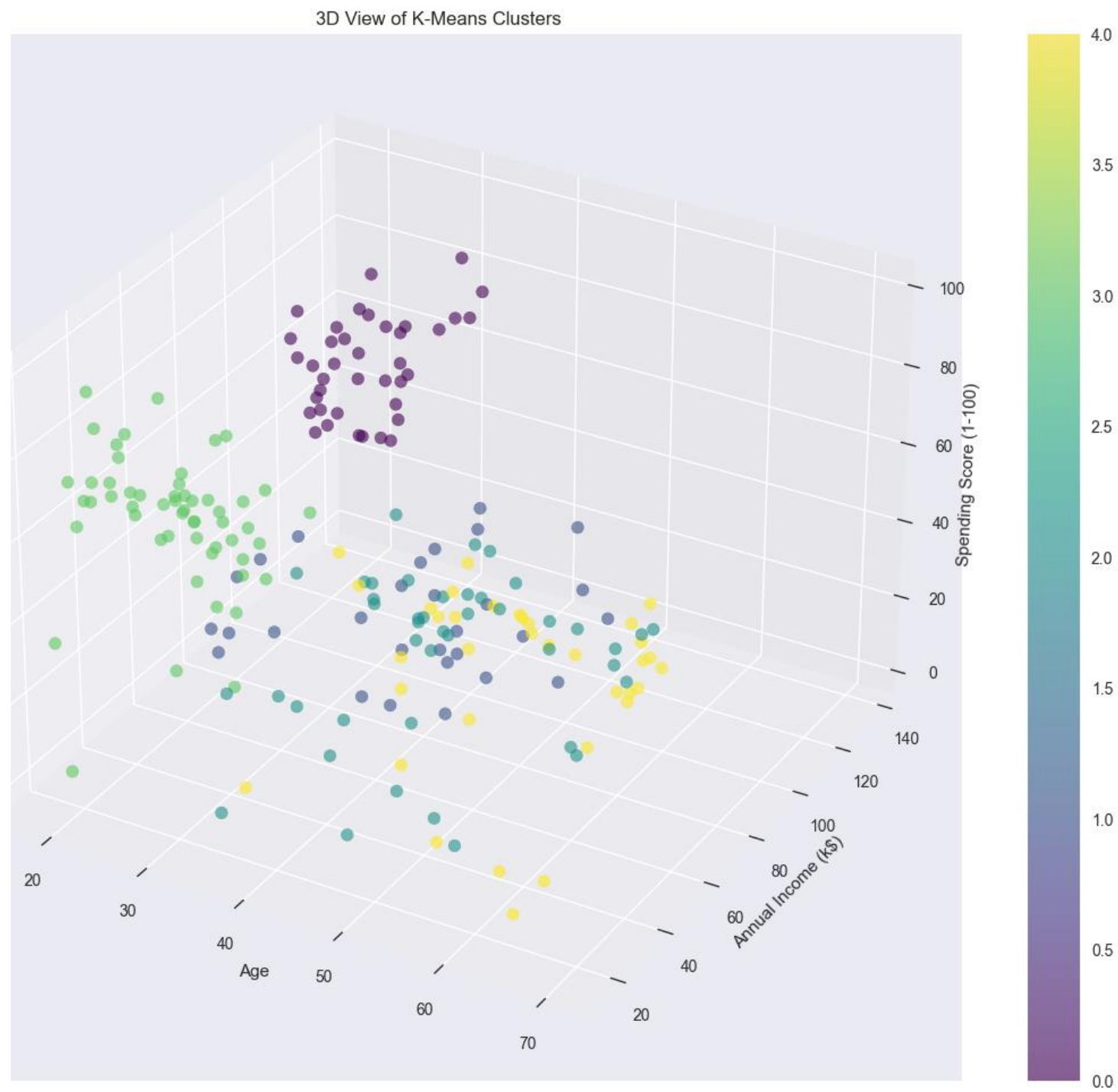
**Cluster
Profiling**

**Comparison
of Algorithms**

Cluster Visualization



3D visualization of K-Means clusters



Cluster Profiling



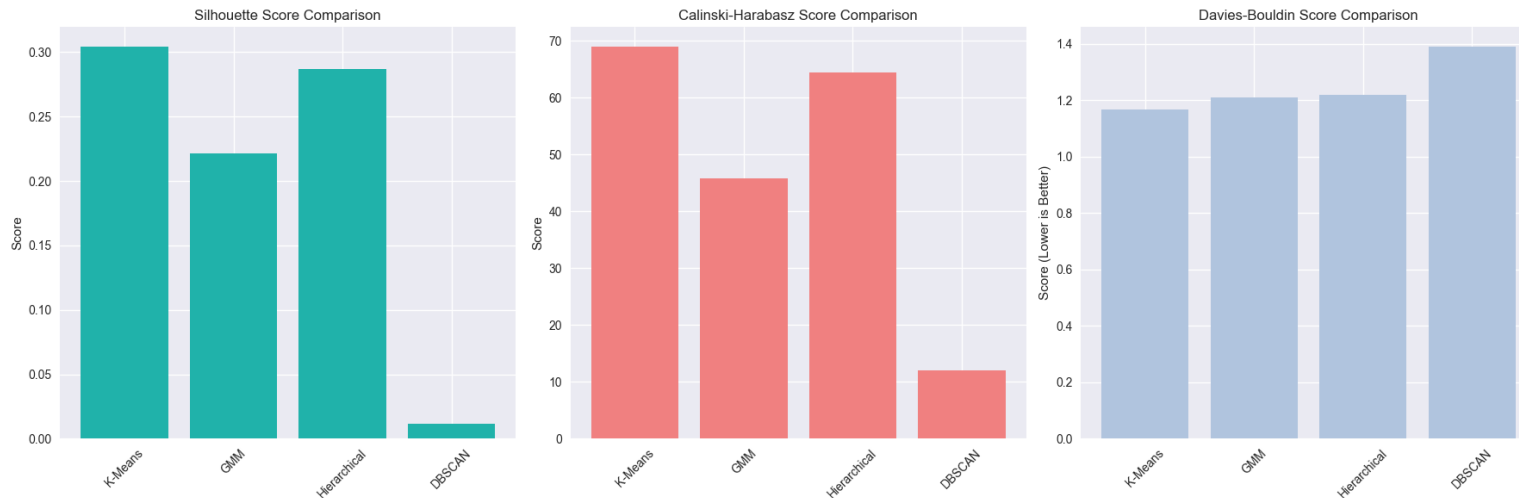
KMEANS_CLUSTER	AVG AGE	AGE STD	AVG INCOME	INCOME STD	AVG SPENDING	SPENDING STD	FEMALE %
0	32.69	3.73	86.54	16.31	82.13	9.36	53.85
1	36.48	9.68	89.52	17.42	18.00	10.58	55.17
2	49.81	9.47	49.23	15.60	40.07	15.56	100.00
3	24.91	5.35	39.72	16.98	61.20	18.42	59.26
4	55.71	9.60	53.69	18.71	36.77	17.99	0.00

K-Means Customer Snapshots (5 Segments)



ID	Label	Profile	Go-To Strategy
0	Premium Spenders	Mid-age, high income & spend	Luxury drops, VIP perks
1	Saver-Investors	High income, low spend	Value-led, investment stories
2	Pragmatic Seniors	Older female, balanced I/S	Quality & utility focus
3	Trend Impulsives	Young, low income, high spend	Flash sales, influencer codes
4	Conservative Gents	Older male, low spend	Durability & function messaging

Comparison of Algorithms



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Algorithm Performance Snapshot

1

K-Means → Winner

Best Silhouette, Calinski-Harabasz & Davies-Bouldin
→ data = well-separated, spherical clusters.

2

Hierarchical → 2nd

Respectable scores; structure exists but spheres > trees here.

3

GMM → 3th

Low scores refute Gaussian-distribution assumption.

4

DBSCAN → Weakest

No meaningful density peaks; 105 noise points, 9 tiny clusters.