

# Multivariate Statistical Analysis - Exercise Session 10

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## Problem 1: Hierarchical Clustering

First we read the data and import required packages.

```
library(RColorBrewer)
library(reshape2)
library(dendextend)

poll <- read.table("polls.txt", header = TRUE, sep = "\t", row.names = 1)
dim(poll)
```

```
## [1] 11 8
```

```
head(poll)
```

```
##           KOK  SDP  KESK  VIHR   PS  VAS  RKP  KD
## Uusimaa      26.3 17.0  5.4 19.7  8.3  8.0  8.4  3.1
## Varsinais-Suomi 23.7 19.3 14.0 13.2  7.8 11.1  4.9  3.0
## Kanta-Hame    23.2 25.8 16.4  9.4  8.9 10.1  0.0  5.3
## Pirkanmaa     22.5 22.9 11.5 14.8  8.3  9.8  0.2  4.8
## Päijät-Häme  23.6 25.7 11.8  9.3 10.2  5.0  0.0  5.9
## Kymenlaakso   22.1 26.4 14.3 10.0 10.5  6.4  0.7  5.1
```

### a) Visualization of the data

It is quite hard to spot clusters from Figure 1.

```
pairs(poll, gap = 0, upper.panel = NULL, bg = brewer.pal(nrow(poll), "Set3"),
      pch = 21, cex = 1.25)
```

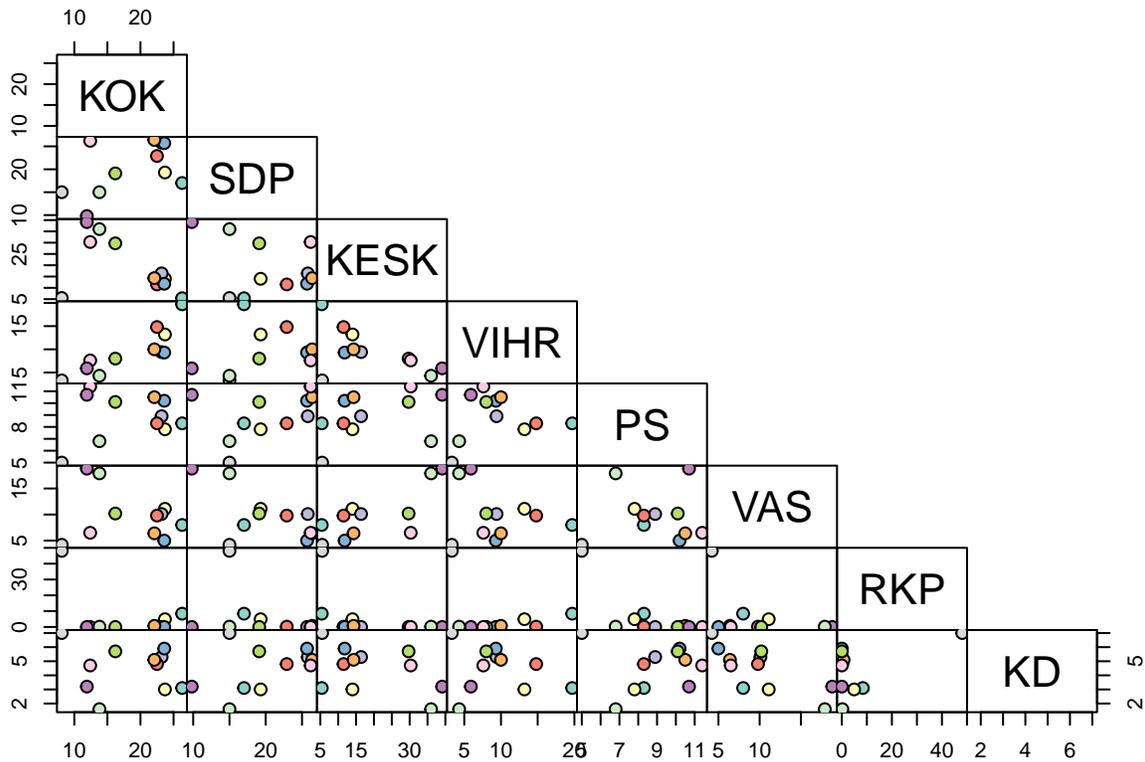


Figure 1: Pairwise scatter plots of the variables. Each region is colored differently.

## b) Euclidean distances between the regions

With function `dist` we can calculate distances between rows. Function returns a `dist` object.

```
poll_dist <- dist(poll, method = "euclidean", diag = TRUE, upper = FALSE)
poll_dist
```

```
##           Uusimaa Varsinais-Suomi Kanta-Hame Pirkanmaa Paijat-Hame
## Uusimaa           0.000000
## Varsinais-Suomi 12.262952           0.000000
## Kanta-Hame      19.857240           9.706184           0.000000
## Pirkanmaa       13.558761           7.104928           7.925276           0.000000
## Paijat-Hame     17.975261           11.679469           7.028513           8.203048           0.000000
## Kymenlaakso     18.708020           10.711209           4.808326           7.747903           3.558089
## Pohjois-Savo    30.318311           19.162985           16.563514           20.877260           21.154432
## Pohjois-Karjala 33.604315           23.094805           18.243355           23.210558           21.816508
## Pohjanmaa       47.125789           48.680592           53.546148           52.721153           52.658618
## Kainuu          42.169894           31.694479           31.536804           34.846808           36.667833
## Lappi           38.775250           27.404379           26.346727           30.441748           31.900940
##           Kymenlaakso Pohjois-Savo Pohjois-Karjala Pohjanmaa   Kainuu
## Uusimaa
## Varsinais-Suomi
## Kanta-Hame
```

```

## Pirkanmaa
## Päijät-Häme
## Kymenlaakso      0.000000
## Pohjois-Savo    18.566367    0.000000
## Pohjois-Karjala 18.903968    9.041571    0.000000
## Pohjanmaa       52.285275    55.384655    56.058987    0.000000
## Kainuu          34.195760    16.682925    22.440365    61.244592    0.000000
## Lappi           29.337178    12.766362    18.208514    58.976606    7.838367
##
## Lappi
## Uusimaa
## Varsinais-Suomi
## Kanta-Häme
## Pirkanmaa
## Päijät-Häme
## Kymenlaakso
## Pohjois-Savo
## Pohjois-Karjala
## Pohjanmaa
## Kainuu
## Lappi      0.000000

```

```
round(as.matrix(poll_dist), 1)
```

```

##           Uusimaa Varsinais-Suomi Kanta-Häme Pirkanmaa Päijät-Häme
## Uusimaa      0.0          12.3          19.9          13.6          18.0
## Varsinais-Suomi 12.3          0.0          9.7           7.1          11.7
## Kanta-Häme     19.9          9.7           0.0           7.9           7.0
## Pirkanmaa      13.6          7.1           7.9           0.0           8.2
## Päijät-Häme   18.0          11.7          7.0           8.2           0.0
## Kymenlaakso   18.7          10.7          4.8           7.7           3.6
## Pohjois-Savo  30.3          19.2          16.6          20.9          21.2
## Pohjois-Karjala 33.6          23.1          18.2          23.2          21.8
## Pohjanmaa     47.1          48.7          53.5          52.7          52.7
## Kainuu        42.2          31.7          31.5          34.8          36.7
## Lappi         38.8          27.4          26.3          30.4          31.9
##
##           Kymenlaakso Pohjois-Savo Pohjois-Karjala Pohjanmaa Kainuu Lappi
## Uusimaa      18.7          30.3          33.6          47.1          42.2          38.8
## Varsinais-Suomi 10.7          19.2          23.1          48.7          31.7          27.4
## Kanta-Häme     4.8          16.6          18.2          53.5          31.5          26.3
## Pirkanmaa      7.7          20.9          23.2          52.7          34.8          30.4
## Päijät-Häme   3.6          21.2          21.8          52.7          36.7          31.9
## Kymenlaakso   0.0          18.6          18.9          52.3          34.2          29.3
## Pohjois-Savo  18.6          0.0           9.0          55.4          16.7          12.8
## Pohjois-Karjala 18.9          9.0           0.0          56.1          22.4          18.2
## Pohjanmaa     52.3          55.4          56.1           0.0          61.2          59.0
## Kainuu        34.2          16.7          22.4          61.2           0.0           7.8
## Lappi         29.3          12.8          18.2          59.0           7.8           0.0

```

### c) Agglomerative hierarchical clustering with minimum distance by hand

Here we present one way to rank Euclidean distances between regions.

```

d <- as.matrix(poll_dist)
d[upper.tri(d)] <- -1
d <- melt(d, varnames = c("Region1", "Region2"), value.name = "dist")
d <- d[d$dist > 0, ]
d <- d[order(d$dist), ]
d

```

	Region1	Region2	dist
## 50	Kymenlaakso	Paijat-Hame	3.558089
## 28	Kymenlaakso	Kanta-Hame	4.808326
## 27	Paijat-Hame	Kanta-Hame	7.028513
## 15	Pirkanmaa	Varsinais-Suomi	7.104928
## 39	Kymenlaakso	Pirkanmaa	7.747903
## 110	Lappi	Kainuu	7.838367
## 26	Pirkanmaa	Kanta-Hame	7.925276
## 38	Paijat-Hame	Pirkanmaa	8.203048
## 74	Pohjois-Karjala	Pohjois-Savo	9.041571
## 14	Kanta-Hame	Varsinais-Suomi	9.706184
## 17	Kymenlaakso	Varsinais-Suomi	10.711209
## 16	Paijat-Hame	Varsinais-Suomi	11.679469
## 2	Varsinais-Suomi	Uusimaa	12.262952
## 77	Lappi	Pohjois-Savo	12.766362
## 4	Pirkanmaa	Uusimaa	13.558761
## 29	Pohjois-Savo	Kanta-Hame	16.563514
## 76	Kainuu	Pohjois-Savo	16.682925
## 5	Paijat-Hame	Uusimaa	17.975261
## 88	Lappi	Pohjois-Karjala	18.208514
## 30	Pohjois-Karjala	Kanta-Hame	18.243355
## 62	Pohjois-Savo	Kymenlaakso	18.566367
## 6	Kymenlaakso	Uusimaa	18.708020
## 63	Pohjois-Karjala	Kymenlaakso	18.903968
## 18	Pohjois-Savo	Varsinais-Suomi	19.162985
## 3	Kanta-Hame	Uusimaa	19.857240
## 40	Pohjois-Savo	Pirkanmaa	20.877260
## 51	Pohjois-Savo	Paijat-Hame	21.154432
## 52	Pohjois-Karjala	Paijat-Hame	21.816508
## 87	Kainuu	Pohjois-Karjala	22.440365
## 19	Pohjois-Karjala	Varsinais-Suomi	23.094805
## 41	Pohjois-Karjala	Pirkanmaa	23.210558
## 33	Lappi	Kanta-Hame	26.346727
## 22	Lappi	Varsinais-Suomi	27.404379
## 66	Lappi	Kymenlaakso	29.337178
## 7	Pohjois-Savo	Uusimaa	30.318311
## 44	Lappi	Pirkanmaa	30.441748
## 32	Kainuu	Kanta-Hame	31.536804
## 21	Kainuu	Varsinais-Suomi	31.694479
## 55	Lappi	Paijat-Hame	31.900940
## 8	Pohjois-Karjala	Uusimaa	33.604315
## 65	Kainuu	Kymenlaakso	34.195760
## 43	Kainuu	Pirkanmaa	34.846808
## 54	Kainuu	Paijat-Hame	36.667833
## 11	Lappi	Uusimaa	38.775250
## 10	Kainuu	Uusimaa	42.169894
## 9	Pohjanmaa	Uusimaa	47.125789

```

## 20      Pohjanmaa Varsinais-Suomi 48.680592
## 64      Pohjanmaa      Kymenlaakso 52.285275
## 53      Pohjanmaa      Paijat-Hame 52.658618
## 42      Pohjanmaa      Pirkanmaa 52.721153
## 31      Pohjanmaa      Kanta-Hame 53.546148
## 75      Pohjanmaa      Pohjois-Savo 55.384655
## 86      Pohjanmaa Pohjois-Karjala 56.058987
## 99      Lappi          Pohjanmaa 58.976606
## 98      Kainuu        Pohjanmaa 61.244592

```

Agglomerative hierarchical clustering is performed according to the following rules:

1. Start from the finest partition:  $n$  clusters, each containing one data point  $x_i$ .
2. Calculate distances  $d_{ij} = d(x_i, x_j)$ , where  $d$  is an appropriate distance between individuals. In this case we choose  $d$  to be Euclidean distance, i.e.  $d(x_i, x_j) = \sqrt{(x_i - x_j)^T(x_i - x_j)}$ .
3. Find the minimal distance and group together the corresponding individuals.
4. Compute distances between the obtained groups. In this case  $d(A, B) = \min_{x_i \in A, x_j \in B} d(x_i, x_j)$ .
5. Find the minimal distance and group together the corresponding closest groups.
6. Repeat the steps 4 and 5 until you have one single group.

We refer to the regions by their row numbers, i.e,

```

Uusimaa = 1,
Varsinais-Suomi = 2,
Kanta-Hame = 3,
Pirkanmaa = 4,
Paijat-Hame = 5,
Kymenlaakso = 6,
Pohjois-Savo = 7,
Pohjois-Karjala = 8,
Pohjanmaa = 9,
Kainuu = 10,
Lappi = 11.

```

Now we are ready to perform clustering by hand with the help of distances  $d$ .

```

(1), (2), (3), (4), (5), (6), (7), (8), (9), (10), (11)
(5, 6), (1), (2), (3), (4), (7), (8), (9), (10), (11)
(3, 5, 6), (1), (2), (4), (7), (8), (9), (10), (11)
(3, 5, 6), (2, 4), (1), (7), (8), (9), (10), (11)
(2, 3, 4, 5, 6)(1), (7), (8), (9), (10), (11)
(2, 3, 4, 5, 6)(1), (7), (8), (9), (10, 11)
(2, 3, 4, 5, 6), (7, 8), (9), (10, 11), (1)
(1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6), (7, 8), (9), (10, 11)
(1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6), (7, 8, 10, 11), (9)
(1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11), (9)
(1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11)

```

## d) Repeat part c) using the function `hclust`

Function `hclust` takes a `dist` object as an input.

```
poll_clust <- hclust(poll_dist, method = "single")
```

## e) Plot the classification tree

```
plot(poll_clust, xlab = "Region / Clusters",  
     ylab = "Tree height [Euclidean distance]", main = NA)
```

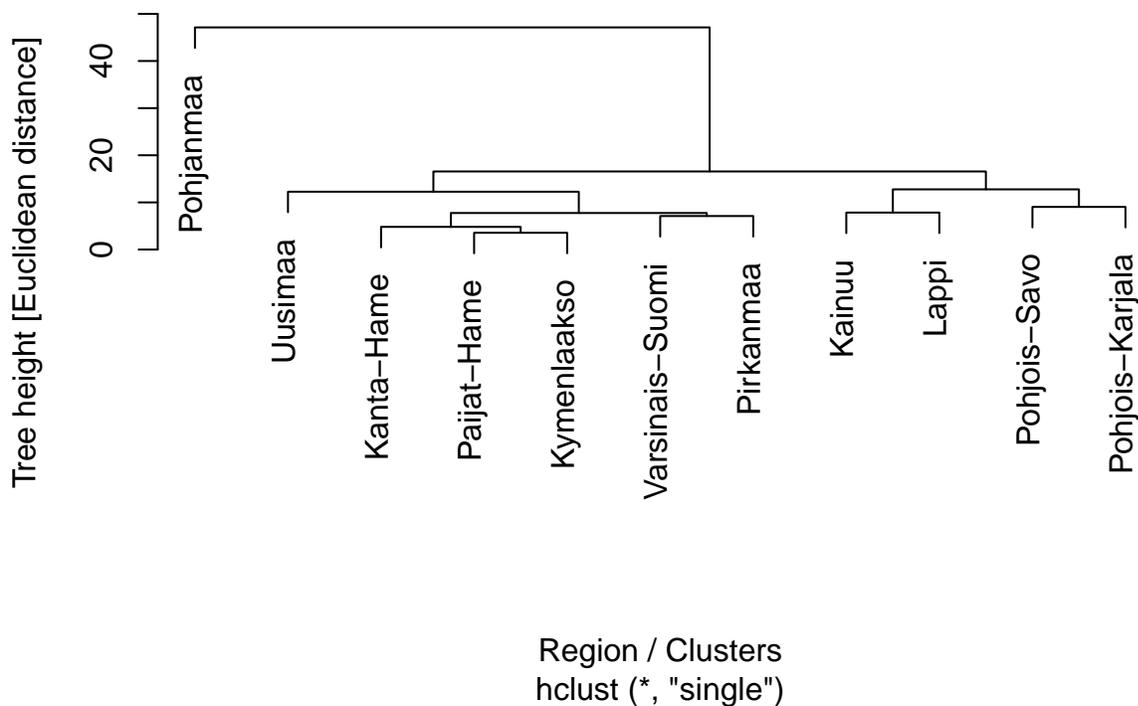


Figure 2: Cluster dendrogram.

## f) Aggregating the clusters using different linkages

Figure 3 shows that with different linkages we get different results.

```
par(mfrow = c(1, 3))  
plot(hclust(poll_dist, method = "single"), main = "Single linkage",  
     xlab = "Region / Clusters", sub = NA, hang = -1)  
plot(hclust(poll_dist, method = "average"), main = "Average linkage",  
     xlab = "Region / Clusters", sub = NA, hang = -1)  
plot(hclust(poll_dist, method = "complete"), main = "Complete linkage",  
     xlab = "Region / Clusters", sub = NA, hang = -1)
```

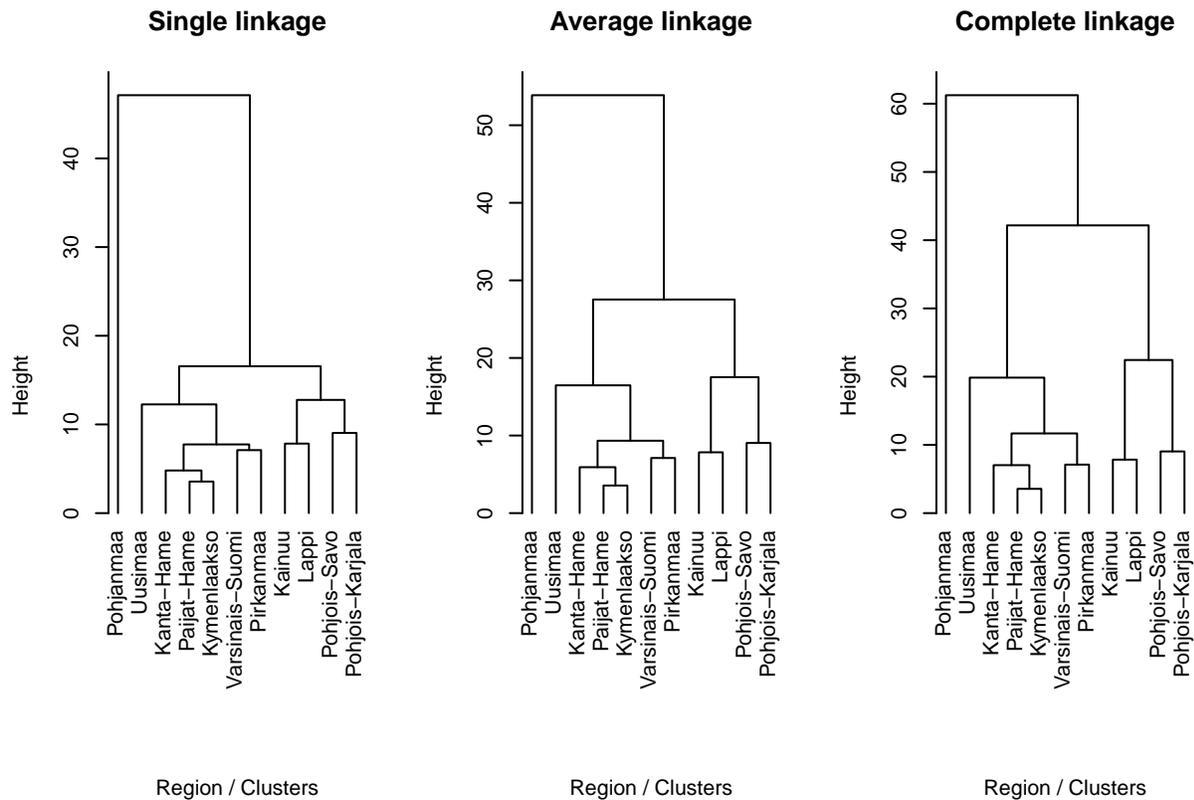


Figure 3: Dendrograms with different linkages.

### g) Where would you cut the tree?

The difficult part is to choose where to cut the tree, i.e., choose the clusters. This is typically an expert decision as it requires context knowledge. Figure 4 shows the minimum distance tree again.

```
plot(poll_clust,
     xlab = "Region / Clusters", ylab = "Tree height [Euclidean distance]",
     hang = -1, main = NA, sub = NA)
abline(h = 10, lty = 2, col = 2, lwd = 2)
```

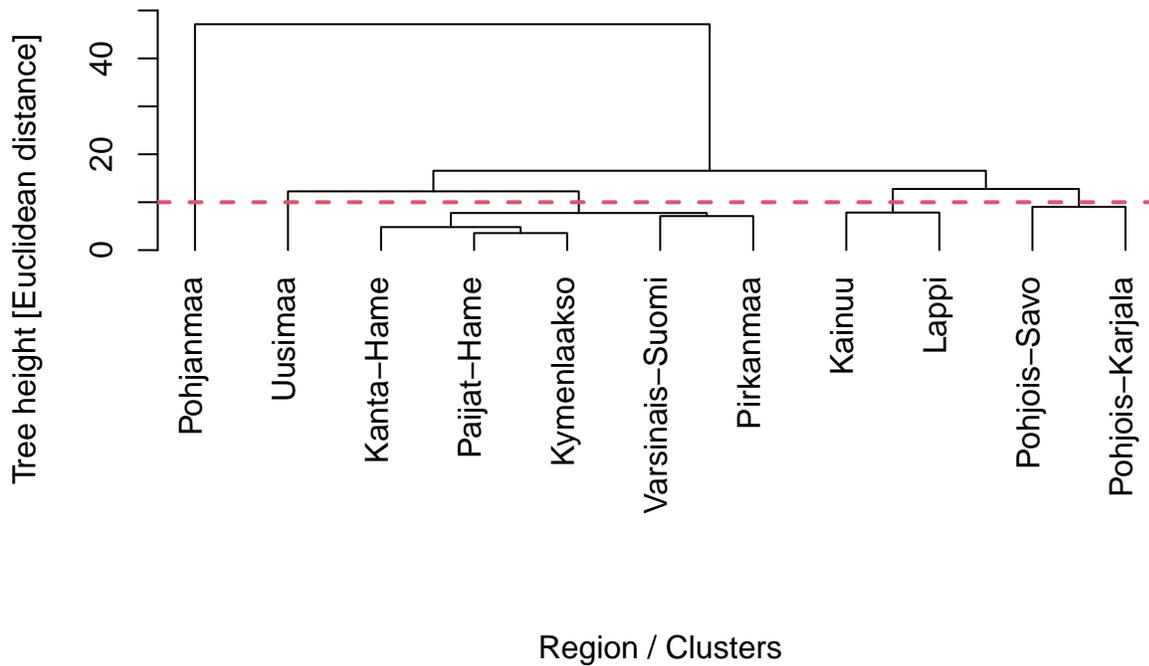


Figure 4: Cluster dendrogram.

If we cut the tree at height 10, we obtain 5 clusters. The next step would be to annotate the clusters in a detailed fashion, i.e., to investigate what is the underlying reason the clusters tend to be similar with respect to the covariates used in the analysis. Function `cutree` can be used to cut the tree and obtain the clusters accordingly.

```
cutree(poll_clust, h = 10)
```

```
##      Uusimaa Varsinais-Suomi      Kanta-Hame      Pirkanmaa      Pajjat-Hame
##      1          2          2          2          2
##      Kymenlaakso      Pohjois-Savo Pohjois-Karjala      Pohjanmaa      Kainuu
##      2          3          3          4          5
##      Lappi
##      5
```

Library `dendextend` provides more options for plotting dendrograms. For example, we can color regions according to which cluster they belong.

```
dend <- as.dendrogram(poll_clust)
dend <- color_labels(dend, h = 10, col = brewer.pal(5, "Dark2"))
plot(dend)
```

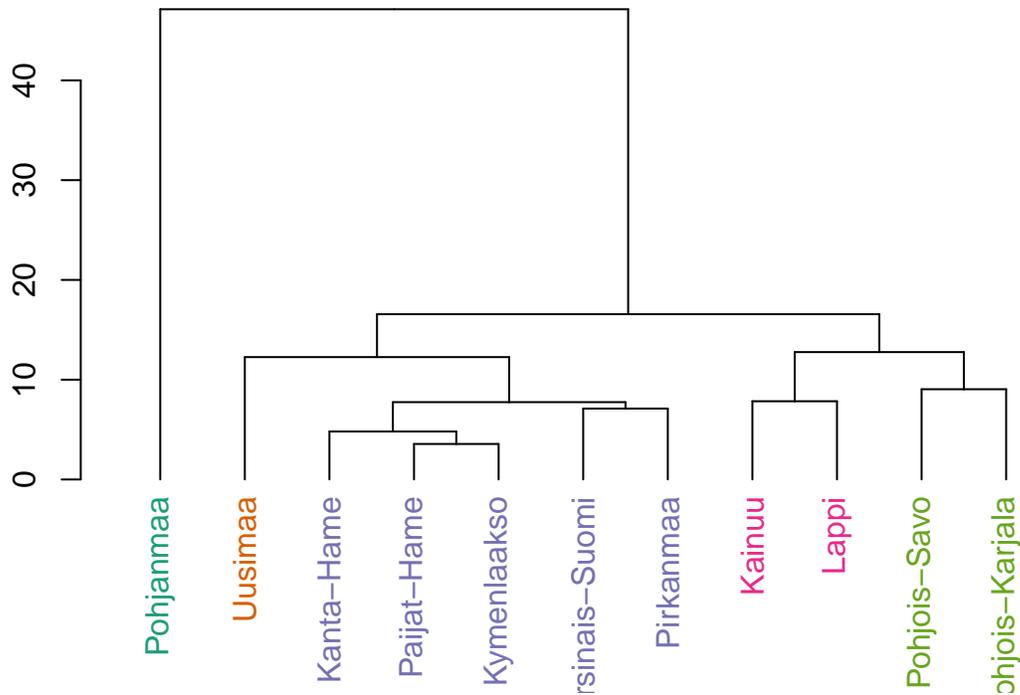


Figure 5: Cluster dendrogram where each region is colored according to which cluster they belong.

## Problem 2: $k$ -means clustering

```
bank <- read.table("BANK.txt", header = TRUE, sep = "\t")
dim(bank)
```

```
## [1] 200 3
```

```
str(bank)
```

```
## 'data.frame': 200 obs. of 3 variables:
## $ CODE : int 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 ...
## $ BOTTOM : num 9 8.1 8.7 7.5 10.4 9 7.9 7.2 8.2 9.2 ...
## $ DIAGONAL: num 141 142 142 142 142 ...
```

```
head(bank)
```

```
## CODE BOTTOM DIAGONAL
## 1 0 9.0 141.0
## 2 0 8.1 141.7
## 3 0 8.7 142.2
## 4 0 7.5 142.0
## 5 0 10.4 141.8
## 6 0 9.0 141.4
```



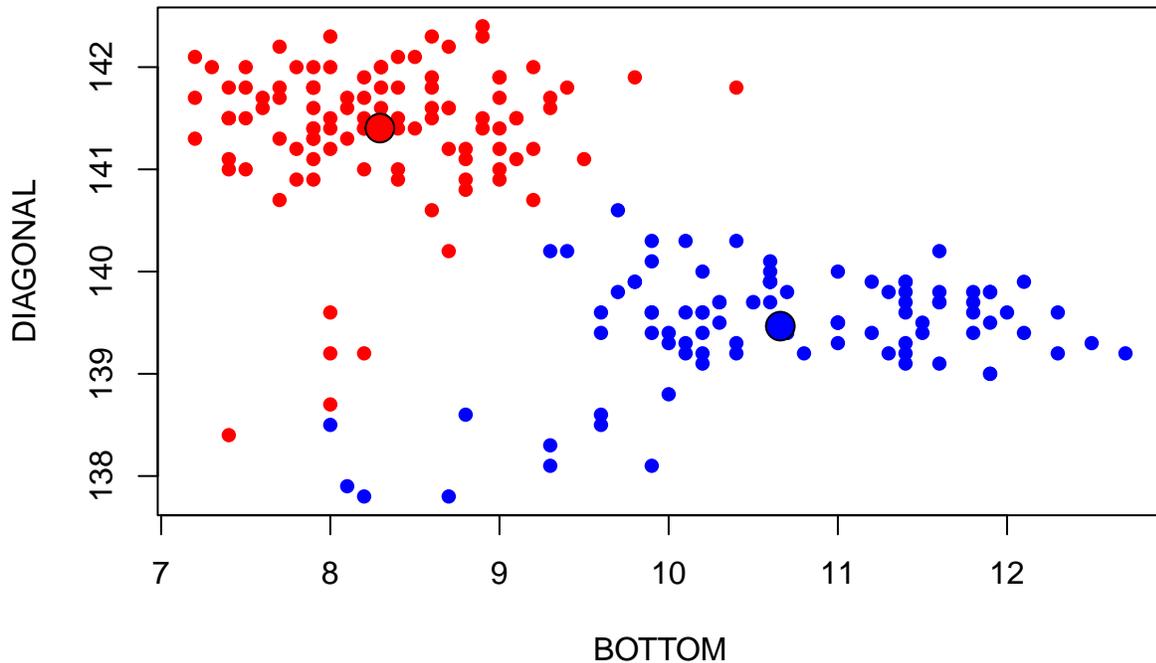


Figure 6: Scatter plot of clustering results. Color represents the clusters and large points represent the centers used by the algorithm.

```
# You can also add true labels but this makes the image hard to read
# text(bank[, -1], labels = bank$CODE, pos = 3)
```

## b) How many observations are classified to a wrong category?

Simple way to investigate this is to calculate the confusion matrix.

```
table(bank_clust$cluster, bank[, 1])
```

```
##
##      C1 C2
## 1    0 95
## 2 100   5
```

By the confusion matrix all observations in class C1 are correctly classified. On the other hand, five observations of class C2 are wrongly classified to the class C1. Thus 2.5% of observations are wrongly classified.

```
5 / nrow(bank)
```

```
## [1] 0.025
```

### c) Changing the seed number with $k = 2$

You can run the  $k$ -means clustering algorithm multiple times and see how the results change. In this case only the cluster number which C1 and C2 are associated changes but the proportions do not. Overall, as the initial centroids of  $k$ -means are randomly selected, the random generator seed number changes the results. However, it should not change the results dramatically if there truly exists a structure in the data, which can be detected by the  $k$ -means algorithm.

```
# Perform k-means clustering 100 times
bank_clust100 <- replicate(100, kmeans(bank[, -1], centers = 2)$cluster)

# Calculate the cluster proportions
apply(bank_clust100, 2, function(x) table(x) / nrow(bank))
```

```
##      [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4] [,5] [,6] [,7] [,8] [,9] [,10] [,11] [,12] [,13]
## 1 0.525 0.475 0.475 0.525 0.475 0.525 0.525 0.525 0.525 0.525 0.525 0.525 0.475
## 2 0.475 0.525 0.525 0.475 0.525 0.475 0.475 0.475 0.475 0.475 0.475 0.475 0.525
##      [,14] [,15] [,16] [,17] [,18] [,19] [,20] [,21] [,22] [,23] [,24] [,25] [,26]
## 1 0.525 0.475 0.475 0.475 0.475 0.525 0.475 0.475 0.475 0.525 0.525 0.475 0.475
## 2 0.475 0.525 0.525 0.525 0.525 0.475 0.525 0.525 0.525 0.525 0.475 0.475 0.525
##      [,27] [,28] [,29] [,30] [,31] [,32] [,33] [,34] [,35] [,36] [,37] [,38] [,39]
## 1 0.475 0.475 0.525 0.475 0.475 0.475 0.475 0.525 0.475 0.525 0.475 0.525 0.475
## 2 0.525 0.525 0.475 0.525 0.525 0.525 0.525 0.475 0.525 0.475 0.525 0.475 0.525
##      [,40] [,41] [,42] [,43] [,44] [,45] [,46] [,47] [,48] [,49] [,50] [,51] [,52]
## 1 0.475 0.525 0.475 0.475 0.525 0.475 0.525 0.525 0.475 0.525 0.525 0.475 0.475
## 2 0.525 0.475 0.525 0.525 0.475 0.525 0.475 0.475 0.525 0.475 0.475 0.525 0.525
##      [,53] [,54] [,55] [,56] [,57] [,58] [,59] [,60] [,61] [,62] [,63] [,64] [,65]
## 1 0.475 0.475 0.525 0.475 0.475 0.475 0.475 0.525 0.525 0.525 0.475 0.525 0.475
## 2 0.525 0.525 0.475 0.525 0.525 0.525 0.525 0.475 0.475 0.475 0.525 0.475 0.525
##      [,66] [,67] [,68] [,69] [,70] [,71] [,72] [,73] [,74] [,75] [,76] [,77] [,78]
## 1 0.525 0.475 0.525 0.525 0.525 0.475 0.525 0.525 0.525 0.525 0.475 0.475 0.475
## 2 0.475 0.525 0.475 0.475 0.475 0.525 0.475 0.475 0.475 0.475 0.525 0.525 0.525
##      [,79] [,80] [,81] [,82] [,83] [,84] [,85] [,86] [,87] [,88] [,89] [,90] [,91]
## 1 0.475 0.525 0.475 0.525 0.525 0.475 0.525 0.525 0.475 0.475 0.475 0.525 0.525
## 2 0.525 0.475 0.525 0.475 0.475 0.525 0.475 0.475 0.525 0.525 0.525 0.475 0.475
##      [,92] [,93] [,94] [,95] [,96] [,97] [,98] [,99] [,100]
## 1 0.475 0.525 0.475 0.525 0.525 0.475 0.475 0.475 0.475
## 2 0.525 0.475 0.525 0.475 0.475 0.525 0.525 0.525 0.525
```

### d) Changing the seed number with $k = 3$

Figure 7 shows clustering results for  $k = 3$ .

```
bank_clust3 <- kmeans(bank[, -1], centers = 3)
plot(bank[, -1], pch = 16,
     col = c("blue", "red", "yellow")[bank_clust3$cluster])

# Cluster centers
points(bank_clust3$centers[, 1], bank_clust3$centers[, 2], pch = 21,
      bg = c("blue", "red", "yellow"), cex = 2)
```

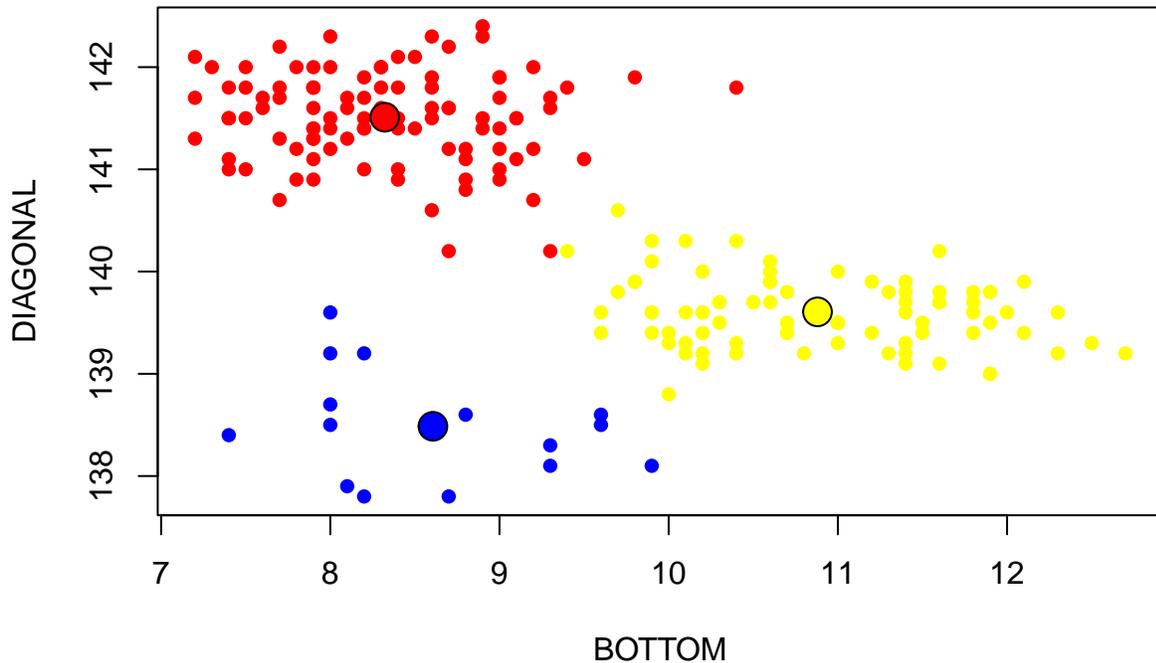


Figure 7: Scatter plot of clustering results with  $k = 3$ . Color represents the clusters and large points represent the centers used by the algorithm.

As we can see from below snippet of code, proportions of clusters change depending on the seed number when  $k = 3$ . Therefore, results for  $k$ -means clustering are not as stable when we use three clusters instead of two.

```
# Perform k-means clustering 100 times
bank_clust100 <- replicate(100, kmeans(bank[, -1], centers = 3)$cluster)

# Calculate the cluster proportions
apply(bank_clust100, 2, function(x) table(x) / nrow(bank))
```

```
##      [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4] [,5] [,6] [,7] [,8] [,9] [,10] [,11] [,12] [,13]
## 1 0.270 0.235 0.495 0.495 0.235 0.235 0.495 0.495 0.235 0.110 0.495 0.495 0.235
## 2 0.495 0.495 0.235 0.235 0.270 0.495 0.270 0.235 0.495 0.395 0.270 0.235 0.270
## 3 0.235 0.270 0.270 0.270 0.495 0.270 0.235 0.270 0.270 0.495 0.235 0.270 0.495
##      [,14] [,15] [,16] [,17] [,18] [,19] [,20] [,21] [,22] [,23] [,24] [,25] [,26]
## 1 0.295 0.235 0.075 0.495 0.295 0.270 0.495 0.270 0.250 0.4 0.250 0.235 0.075
## 2 0.455 0.495 0.420 0.235 0.250 0.495 0.270 0.495 0.455 0.5 0.455 0.495 0.505
## 3 0.250 0.270 0.505 0.270 0.455 0.235 0.235 0.235 0.295 0.1 0.295 0.270 0.420
##      [,27] [,28] [,29] [,30] [,31] [,32] [,33] [,34] [,35] [,36] [,37] [,38] [,39]
## 1 0.250 0.270 0.495 0.270 0.235 0.250 0.270 0.295 0.270 0.075 0.250 0.250 0.235
## 2 0.295 0.495 0.270 0.235 0.495 0.295 0.235 0.455 0.235 0.505 0.455 0.455 0.495
## 3 0.455 0.235 0.235 0.495 0.270 0.455 0.495 0.250 0.495 0.420 0.295 0.295 0.270
```

```

##  [,40] [,41] [,42] [,43] [,44] [,45] [,46] [,47] [,48] [,49] [,50] [,51] [,52]
## 1 0.420 0.295 0.4 0.295 0.270 0.270 0.270 0.4 0.270 0.495 0.295 0.235 0.270
## 2 0.075 0.455 0.1 0.455 0.235 0.495 0.235 0.1 0.235 0.270 0.455 0.270 0.495
## 3 0.505 0.250 0.5 0.250 0.495 0.235 0.495 0.5 0.495 0.235 0.250 0.495 0.235
##  [,53] [,54] [,55] [,56] [,57] [,58] [,59] [,60] [,61] [,62] [,63] [,64] [,65]
## 1 0.295 0.235 0.235 0.235 0.235 0.235 0.270 0.235 0.270 0.5 0.495 0.495 0.270
## 2 0.250 0.495 0.270 0.495 0.270 0.270 0.235 0.495 0.495 0.4 0.235 0.270 0.495
## 3 0.455 0.270 0.495 0.270 0.495 0.495 0.495 0.270 0.235 0.1 0.270 0.235 0.235
##  [,66] [,67] [,68] [,69] [,70] [,71] [,72] [,73] [,74] [,75] [,76] [,77] [,78]
## 1 0.270 0.495 0.270 0.075 0.505 0.235 0.270 0.235 0.295 0.455 0.295 0.420 0.270
## 2 0.235 0.235 0.235 0.505 0.420 0.495 0.495 0.270 0.455 0.250 0.455 0.075 0.495
## 3 0.495 0.270 0.495 0.420 0.075 0.270 0.235 0.495 0.250 0.295 0.250 0.505 0.235
##  [,79] [,80] [,81] [,82] [,83] [,84] [,85] [,86] [,87] [,88] [,89] [,90] [,91]
## 1 0.420 0.495 0.270 0.235 0.1 0.495 0.270 0.495 0.270 0.235 0.1 0.505 0.455
## 2 0.505 0.235 0.235 0.495 0.4 0.235 0.495 0.270 0.495 0.495 0.4 0.420 0.250
## 3 0.075 0.270 0.495 0.270 0.5 0.270 0.235 0.235 0.235 0.270 0.5 0.075 0.295
##  [,92] [,93] [,94] [,95] [,96] [,97] [,98] [,99] [,100]
## 1 0.235 0.495 0.495 0.235 0.250 0.495 0.495 0.495 0.270
## 2 0.270 0.270 0.235 0.495 0.455 0.270 0.270 0.235 0.235
## 3 0.495 0.235 0.270 0.270 0.295 0.235 0.235 0.270 0.495

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Remark that typically in the clustering problem the labels are unknown. Therefore, it is essential to use expert validation / analyze the obtained clusters carefully. As we can see here, the clustering algorithm will find as many clusters as we tell it to find!