

Solution to Assignment 1

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Solution to Question 1

(a) $1'w$ is the number of words in the document

(b) $w_{282} = 0$ implies that the 282'nd word in the dictionary has 0 occurrences in the document.

(c) $h = \frac{1}{1'w}w$.

(d)

```
In [1]: 1 using HTTP, JSON
2
3 data = HTTP.request("GET",
4 "https://ocw.mit.edu/ans7870/6/6.006/s08/lecturenotes/files/t8.shakespeare",
5 shakespeare = String(data.body)
6 shakespeareWords = split(shakespeare)
7
8 jsonWords = HTTP.request("GET",
9 "https://raw.githubusercontent.com/*
10 "h-Klok/StatsWithJuliaBook/master/1_chapter/jsonCode.json")
11 parsedJsonDict = JSON.parse(String(jsonWords.body))
12
13 keywords = Array{String}(parsedJsonDict["words"])
14 numberToShow = parsedJsonDict["numToShow"]
15 wordCount = Dict{String, Int64}()
16     for x in keywords
17         wordCount[x] = count(w -> lowercase(w) == lowercase(x), shakespeareWords)
18
19 sortedWordCount = sort(collect(wordCount), by=last, rev=true)
20 sortedWordCount[1:numberToShow]
```

```
Out[1]: 5-element Array{Pair{String,Int64},1}:
 "king" => 1698
 "love" => 1279
 "man" => 1033
 "sir" => 721
 "god" => 555
```

(e) Clearly there are multiple answers. One possible answer is to use the `countmap()` function from `StatsBase`

```
In [7]: 1 using HTTP, JSON, StatsBase
2
3 data = HTTP.request("GET", "https://ocw.mit.edu/ans7870/6/6.006/s08/lect
4 shakespeare = String(data.body)
5 shakespeareWords = lowercase.(split(shakespeare))
6
7 numberToShow = 20
8 wordCount = countmap(shakespeareWords)
9 sortedWordCount = sort(collect(wordCount), by=last, rev=true)
10 sortedWordCount[1:numberToShow]
```

```
Out[7]: 20-element Array{Pair{String,Int64},1}:
"the" => 27549
"and" => 26037
"i" => 19540
"to" => 18700
"of" => 18010
"a" => 14383
"my" => 12455
"in" => 10671
"you" => 10630
"that" => 10487
"is" => 9145
"for" => 7982
"with" => 7931
"not" => 7643
"your" => 6871
"his" => 6749
"be" => 6700
"but" => 5886
"he" => 5884
"as" => 5882
```

Solution to Question 2

Just write a as $a + b - b$. Then:

$$\|a\| = \|a + b + (-b)\| \leq \|a + b\| + \|-b\| = \|a + b\| + \|b\|$$

Hence,

$$\|a\| - \|b\| \leq \|a + b\|$$

Solution to Question 3

(a)

(i) $\beta = e_1$: Tommorrow's sales prediction is having sales the same as today.

(ii) $\beta = 2e_1 - e_2$: Tommorrow's sales prediction is twice the sales of today take away the sales of yesterday.

(iii) $\beta = e_6$: Tommorrow's sales prediction is having the same sales as 6 days ago.

(iv) $\beta = \frac{1}{2}e_1 + \frac{1}{2}e_2$: Tomorrow's sales prediction is the average of today and yesterday.

(b)

In [25]:

```
1 using Distributions, Random, LinearAlgebra, Statistics
2 Random.seed!(0)
3
4 T, M, N = 100, 10, 1000
5
6 ee(i) = begin v = zeros(M); v[i] = 1; v end #just a function for e
7 predict(beta,data,t) = data[t-1:-1:t-M]'*beta #notice reverse order
8 makeData() = [cos(t*2pi/7) + rand(Normal(0,0.2)) for t in 1:T]
9 loss(data,pred) = norm(data[M+1:T] - pred) #L_2 loss
10
11 betas = [ee(1),
12          2ee(1)-ee(2),
13          ee(6),
14          (ee(1) + ee(2))/2,
15          ee(7)] #notice this additional beta not specif
16
17
18 for beta in betas
19     losses = []
20     for _ in 1:N
21         data = makeData()
22         pred = [predict(beta,data,t) for t in M+1:T]
23         push!(losses,loss(data,pred))
24     end
25     println("Loss is: ", mean(losses))
26 end
```

```
Loss is: 6.397265063244324
Loss is: 6.8827023607315905
Loss is: 6.4291797868524965
Loss is: 8.27291621054637
Loss is: 2.673542339803326
```

It can thus be seen that from the four specified estimators the first one does the best (slightly better than the third). However if we specify another estimator with $\beta = e_7$ we do much better.

Solution to Question 4

$$\|x\|_1 = |x_1| + \dots + |x_n|$$

(i) $\|x\|_1 = |x_1| + \dots + |x_n| \geq 0$ trivially.

(ii) $\|x + y\|_1 \leq \|x\|_1 + \|y\|_1$:

$$\|x + y\|_1 = \sum_{i=1}^n |x_i + y_i| \leq \sum_{i=1}^n |x_i| + |y_i| = \|x\|_1 + \|y\|_1$$

This follows from the triangle inequality for real numbers $|a + b| \leq |a| + |b|$

(iii) $\|x\|_1 = 0$ if and only if $x = 0$. Follows trivially.

(iv) $\|\beta x\|_1 = |\beta| \|x\|_1$:

$$\|\beta x\|_1 = \sum_{i=1}^n |\beta x_i| = |\beta| \sum_{i=1}^n |x_i| = |\beta| \|x\|_1.$$

$\|x\|_\infty = \max\{|x_1|, \dots, |x_n|\}$

(i) $\|x\|_\infty \geq |x_i| \geq 0$ for all i . Hence $\|x\|_\infty \geq 0$.

(ii) $\|x + y\|_\infty \leq \|x\|_\infty + \|y\|_\infty$:

$\|x + y\|_\infty = \max\{|x_1 + y_1|, \dots, |x_n + y_n|\} = |x_i + y_i| \leq |x_i| + |y_i|$ for some i .

And this is $\leq |x_j| + |y_k|$ for the j and k that determine $\|x\|_\infty$ and $\|y\|_\infty$ respectively. Hence,

$$\|x + y\|_\infty \leq \|x\|_\infty + \|y\|_\infty.$$

(iii) $\|x\|_\infty = 0$ if and only if $x = 0$. Follows trivially.

(iv) $\|\beta x\|_\infty = |\beta| \|x\|_\infty$.

This is by pulling out the constant $|\beta|$ out of the maximum: $\max\{|\beta z|, |\beta u|, |\beta v|\} = |\beta| \max\{z, u, v\}$.

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Solution to Question 5

(a)

$$\begin{aligned} \int_\alpha^\beta p(x) dx &= \left[c_1 x + c_2 \frac{1}{2} x^2 + c_3 \frac{1}{3} x^3 + \dots + c_n \frac{1}{n} x^n \right]_\alpha^\beta \\ &= c_1 \beta + c_2 \frac{1}{2} \beta^2 + c_3 \frac{1}{3} \beta^3 + \dots + c_n \frac{1}{n} \beta^n - (c_1 \alpha + c_2 \frac{1}{2} \alpha^2 + c_3 \frac{1}{3} \alpha^3 + \dots + c_n \frac{1}{n} \alpha^n) \\ &= c_1 (\beta - \alpha) + c_2 \frac{1}{2} (\beta^2 - \alpha^2) + \dots + c_n \frac{1}{n} (\beta^n - \alpha^n) = c^T a \end{aligned}$$

where $c = (c_1, \dots, c_n)^T$ and

$$a = \left(\beta - \alpha, \frac{\beta^2 - \alpha^2}{2}, \dots, \frac{\beta^n - \alpha^n}{n} \right)^T.$$

(b) Since $p(\alpha) = c_1 + c_2 \alpha + c_3 \alpha^2 + \dots + c_n \alpha^{n-1}$ we have:

$$p'(\alpha) = c_2 + 2c_3 \alpha + 3c_4 \alpha^2 + \dots + (n-1)c_n \alpha^{n-2} = b^T (c_1, \dots, c_n)^T.$$

Hence,

$$b = \left(0, 1, 2\alpha, 3\alpha^2, \dots, (n-1)\alpha^{n-2} \right)^T.$$

Solution to Question 6

(a) Testing for homogeneity: $f(\alpha x) = \alpha f(x)$:

$\phi(-1(-1, 1, 1)) = (-1)\phi(-1, 1, 1)$ implies $\phi(1, -1, -1) = -1 \times 1$ but $\phi(1, -1, 1) = 1$. So the test fails. Hence (ii) is the correct answer. ϕ cannot be linear.

(b) One modification can be $\phi(1, 1, 1) = 5$, $\phi(2, 2, 2) = 10$ and $\phi(3, 3, 3) = 15$. In this case denote $a = (1, 1, 1)$. We now have $\phi(a + 2a) = \phi(3a)$ and $\phi(2a) = 2\phi(a)$. This function can be linear however it also can be modified as to be non-linear based on other points. So the answer is (ii).

Solution to Question 7

(a)

$$L(a) = \|x - a\mathbf{1}\| = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - a)^2}$$

The minimizer of $L(a)$ is also the minimizer of $\tilde{L}(a) = L(a)^2$.

$$\tilde{L}(a) = \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - a)^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i^2 - 2x_i a + a^2) = na^2 - 2\left(\sum x_i\right)a + \sum x_i^2.$$

This can be done via calculus however also observed that $\tilde{L}(a)$ is an upward facing parabola and is hence minimized at,

$$a^* = \frac{-(-2 \sum x_i)}{2(n)} = \bar{x}$$

where \bar{x} is the mean of x_1, \dots, x_n .

(b) For gradient descent observe that $\frac{d}{da}\tilde{L}(a) = 2(na - \sum x_i)$. Denote $S = \sum x_i$ and hence the gradient is $2(na - S)$.

Gradient descent then starts at some a_0 and implements,

$$a_{k+1} = a_k - 2\eta(na_k - S) = (1 - 2\eta n)a_k + 2\eta S$$

In [67]:

```
1 using Statistics, Random
2 Random.seed!(1)
3
4 n = 100;
5 data = 9 .+ 2*rand(n);
6 xbar = mean(data) #sample mean
7 println("The sample mean is: ",xbar)
8 S = sum(data);
9
10 function gd(a0,eta)
11     a = a0
12     aPrev = -a
13     numSteps = 0
14     while abs(a-aPrev) > 10^-3 && numSteps < 1000
15         aPrev = a
16         a = (1-2*eta*n)*a + 2*eta*S
17         numSteps += 1
18     end
19     println("Executed ",numSteps, " steps")
20     a
21 end
22 aStar = gd(50,0.001)
23 println("The result of gradient descent is ", aStar)
```

The sample mean is: 9.973653925527081
Executed 42 steps
The result of gradient descent is 9.977058990472438

(c) We have a recursion of the form $a_{k+1} = \kappa a_k + \gamma$ where $\kappa = 1 - 2\eta n$ and $\gamma = 2\eta S$

Notice:

$$a_1 = \kappa a_0 + \gamma$$

$$a_2 = \kappa^2 a_0 + \kappa \gamma + \gamma$$

$$a_3 = \kappa^3 a_0 + \kappa^2 \gamma + \kappa \gamma + \gamma$$

and in general,

$$a_k = \kappa^k + \gamma \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} \kappa^i = \kappa^k + \gamma \frac{\kappa^k - 1}{\kappa - 1} = \kappa^k \left(1 + \frac{\gamma}{\kappa - 1}\right) + \frac{\gamma}{1 - \kappa} = \kappa^k \left(1 + \frac{\gamma}{\kappa - 1}\right) + \bar{x}.$$

Hence we have that $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} a_k$ diverges if $|\kappa| \geq 1$ and otherwise converges to \bar{x} . So we need $|1 - 2\eta n| < 1$. With $\eta > 0$ we always have $1 - 2\eta n < 1$ so the requirement is $-1 < 1 - 2\eta n$. Hence we need $\eta < \frac{1}{n}$

In [70]:

```
1 badEta = 1/n + 0.001
2 gd(50,badEta)
```

Executed 1000 steps

Out[70]: 6.075639453913123e80

```
In [71]: 1 goodEta = 1/n - 0.001
         2 gd(50,goodEta)
```

Executed 52 steps

```
Out[71]: 9.974019541591606
```

Solution to Question 8

(assume for simplicity that n is even)

(a) Define the $n \times n$ matrices A_1, A_2 (these are composed of columns of either e_i or 0):

$$A_1 = [e_1 \ 0 \ e_3 \ 0 \ \dots \ e_{n-1} \ 0], \quad A_2 = [0 \ e_2 \ 0 \ e_4 \ \dots \ 0 \ e_n],$$

Then $f(x) = (f_1(x), f_2(x))$ has components,

$$f_1(x) = \|A_1 x\|^2 + \mathbf{1}^T(A_2 x), \quad f_2(x) = \|A_2 x\|^2 + \mathbf{1}^T(A_1 x).$$

(b) The $2 \times n$ Jacobian matrix $D(x)$ can be worked out directly (e.g. assume n is even):

$$D(x) = \begin{bmatrix} 2x_1 & 1 & 2x_3 & 1 & \dots & 2x_{n-1} & 1 \\ 1 & 2x_2 & 1 & 2x_4 & \dots & 1 & 2x_n \end{bmatrix}.$$

It can also be worked out via vectors. The first row as $\nabla f_1(x)^T$ and second row as $\nabla f_2(x)^T$. Observe that $\|Bx\|^2 = x^T B^T Bx$ and that $\nabla \|Bx\|^2 = 2B^T Bx$. Further observe that $A_1^T A_1 = A_1$ and $A_2^T A_2 = A_2$. Also A_1 and A_2 are symmetric. Hence,

$$\nabla f_1(x) = 2A_1 x + \mathbf{1}^T A_2, \quad \nabla f_2(x) = 2A_2 x + \mathbf{1}^T A_1.$$

Or

$$D(x) = \begin{bmatrix} 2x^T A_1 + \mathbf{1}^T A_2 \\ 2x^T A_2 + \mathbf{1}^T A_1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(c) and (d) Now take $z = \mathbf{1}$ hence

$$D(z) = \begin{bmatrix} 2\mathbf{1}^T A_1 + \mathbf{1}^T A_2 \\ 2\mathbf{1}^T A_2 + \mathbf{1}^T A_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{1}^T (2A_1 + A_2) \\ \mathbf{1}^T (2A_2 + A_1) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 2 & 1 & \dots & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 & 2 & \dots & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

```
In [129]: 1 n = 6;
         2 A1 = [isodd(i) && i == j ? 1 : 0 for i in 1:n, j in 1:n];
         3 A2 = [iseven(i) && i == j ? 1 : 0 for i in 1:n, j in 1:n];
         4 D = [ones(n)'*(2A1+A2)
         5       ones(n)'*(2A2+A1)]
```

```
Out[129]: 2x6 Array{Float64,2}:
 2.0  1.0  2.0  1.0  2.0  1.0
 1.0  2.0  1.0  2.0  1.0  2.0
```

```
In [130]: 1 using LinearAlgebra
```

```
In [131]: 1 f(x) = [norm(A1*x)^2 + ones(n)'*A2*x, norm(A2*x)^2 + ones(n)'*A1*x]
          2 f1 = f(ones(n))
```

```
Out[131]: 2-element Array{Float64,1}:
          6.0
          6.0
```

```
In [132]: 1 fApprox(x) = f1 + D*(x-ones(n))
```

```
Out[132]: fApprox (generic function with 1 method)
```

```
In [145]: 1 #This function takes random vectors of radius r around z=ones(n) and loc
          2 function randomWorst(r)
          3     N = 10^5
          4     worst = -Inf
          5     for _ in 1:N
          6         v = rand(n)
          7         v = r*v/norm(v)
          8         x = ones(n) + v
          9         err = norm(f(x) - fApprox(x))
         10         if err > worst
         11             worst = err
         12         end
         13     end
         14     println("After trying $(N) random vectors within radius $(r), the worst error is: ", worst)
         15 end
         16 randomWorst(0.5)
         17 randomWorst(0.25)
         18 randomWorst(1.0)
```

```
After trying 100000 random vectors within radius 0.5, the worst has is 0.2499577140111187
```

```
After trying 100000 random vectors within radius 0.25, the worst has is 0.0624535565900629
```

```
After trying 100000 random vectors within radius 1.0, the worst has is 0.99943513971916
```

Note: There is also an analytical solution

Solution to Question 9

Listing 9.9 from SWJ (https://github.com/h-Klok/StatsWithJuliaBook/blob/master/9_chapter/kMeansManual.jl)

In [38]:

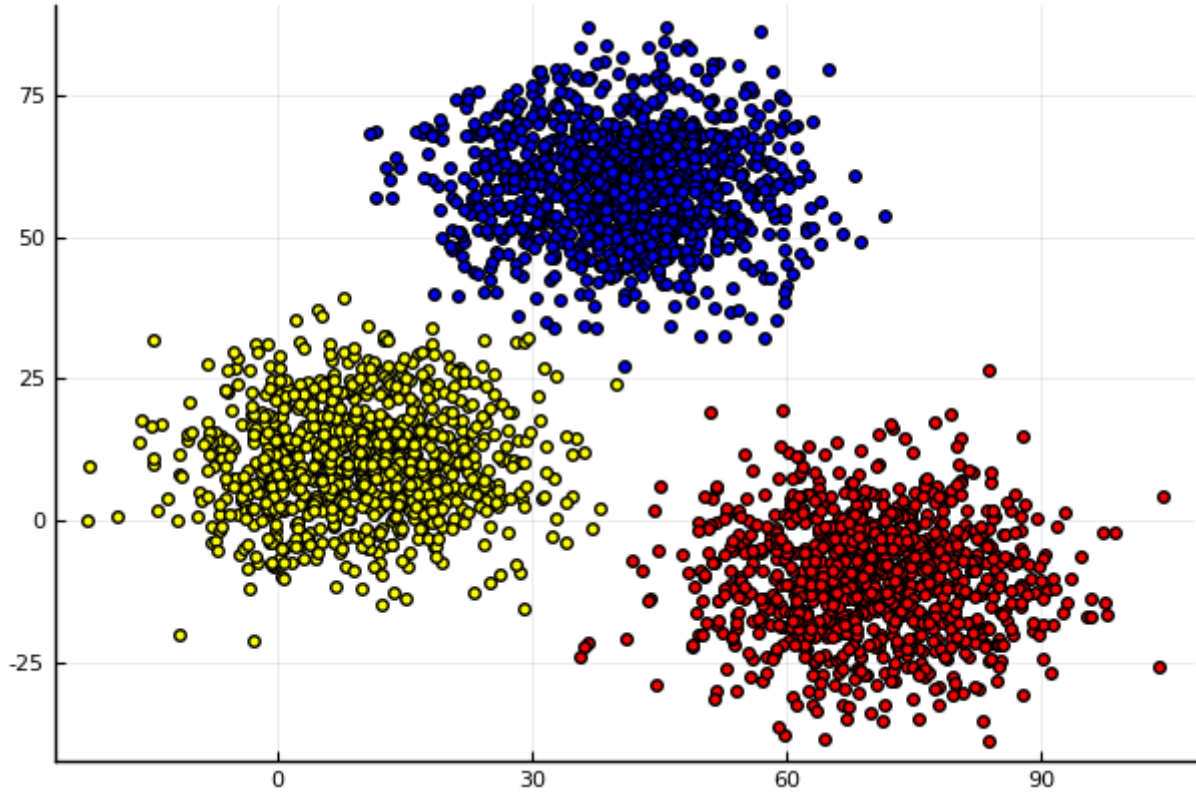
```
1 using RDatasets, Distributions, Random
2 Random.seed!(1)
3
4 k = 3
5
6 xclara = dataset("cluster", "xclara")
7 n,_ = size(xclara)
8 dataPoints = [convert(Array{Float64,1},xclara[i,:]) for i in 1:n]
9 shuffle!(dataPoints)
10
11 xMin,xMax = minimum(first.(dataPoints)),maximum(first.(dataPoints))
12 yMin,yMax = minimum(last.(dataPoints)),maximum(last.(dataPoints))
13
14 means = [[rand(Uniform(xMin,xMax)),rand(Uniform(yMin,yMax))] for _ in 1:k]
15 labels = rand([1,k],n)
16 prevMeans = -means
17
18 while norm(prevMeans - means) > 0.001
19     prevMeans = means
20     labels = [findmin([norm(means[i]-x) for i in 1:k])[2] for x in dataPoints]
21     means = [sum(dataPoints[labels .== i])/sum(labels .==i) for i in 1:k]
22 end
23
24 cnts = [sum(labels .== i) for i in 1:k]
25
26 println("Counts of clusters (manual implementation): ", cnts)
```

Counts of clusters (manual implementation): [899, 952, 1149]

In [39]:

```
1 using Plots; pyplot()
2 scatter(first.(dataPoints[labels .== 1]),last.(dataPoints[labels .== 1])
3 scatter!(first.(dataPoints[labels .== 2]),last.(dataPoints[labels .== 2])
4 scatter!(first.(dataPoints[labels .== 3]),last.(dataPoints[labels .== 3])
```

Out[39]:



Now fix some labels... See lines 12-14 for fixing labels and lines 26-28 for enforcing it in the algorithm

In [40]:

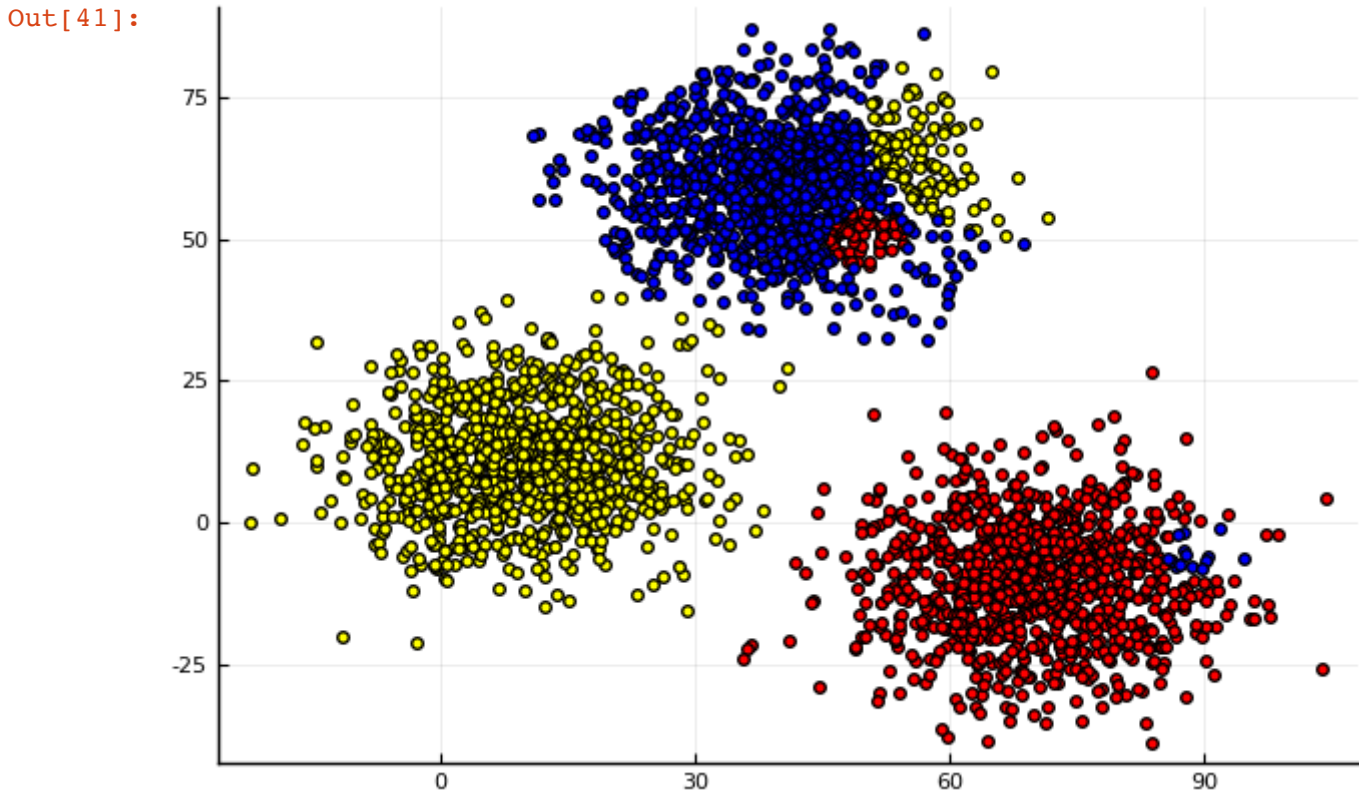
```
1 using RDatasets, Plots, Distributions, Random, LinearAlgebra
2 Random.seed!(1)
3
4 k = 3
5
6 xclara = dataset("cluster", "xclara")
7 n,_ = size(xclara)
8 dataPoints = [convert(Array{Float64,1},xclara[i,:]) for i in 1:n]
9 shuffle!(dataPoints)
10
11 #Say these are the fixed labels - they are based on the location
12 fixedLabels = [ filter((k)->norm(dataPoints[k] - [70,70]) < 20,1:n),
13                 filter((k)->norm(dataPoints[k] - [50,50]) < 5,1:n),
14                 filter((k)->norm(dataPoints[k] - [90,-5]) < 5,1:n)]
15
16 xMin,xMax = minimum(first.(dataPoints)),maximum(first.(dataPoints))
17 yMin,yMax = minimum(last.(dataPoints)),maximum(last.(dataPoints))
18
19 means = [[rand(Uniform(xMin,xMax)),rand(Uniform(yMin,yMax))] for _ in 1:k]
20 labels = rand([1,k],n)
21 prevMeans = -means
22
23 while norm(prevMeans - means) > 0.001
24     prevMeans = means
25     labels = [findmin([norm(means[i]-x) for i in 1:k])[2] for x in dataPoints]
26     for k in 1:3
27         labels[fixedLabels[k]] .= k
28     end
29     means = [sum(dataPoints[labels .== i])/sum(labels .==i) for i in 1:k]
30 end
31
32 cnts = [sum(labels .== i) for i in 1:k]
33
34 println("Counts of clusters (manual implementation): ", cnts)
35 fixedLabels
```

Counts of clusters (manual implementation): [1024, 1004, 972]

Out[40]:

```
3-element Array{Array{Int64,1},1}:
 [15, 21, 65, 73, 87, 110, 116, 119, 136, 144 ... 2678, 2733, 2814, 2839,
 2883, 2900, 2915, 2955, 2995, 3000]
 [29, 57, 95, 160, 198, 228, 237, 298, 330, 338 ... 2863, 2892, 2896, 292
 5, 2929, 2930, 2945, 2948, 2958, 2990]
 [279, 890, 991, 1044, 1105, 1121, 1272, 1377, 1945, 1961, 2170, 2394, 25
 25, 2855]
```

```
In [41]: 1 using Plots; pyplot()
2 scatter(first.(dataPoints[labels .== 1]),last.(dataPoints[labels .== 1])
3 scatter!(first.(dataPoints[labels .== 2]),last.(dataPoints[labels .== 2])
4 scatter!(first.(dataPoints[labels .== 3]),last.(dataPoints[labels .== 3])
```



Solution to Question 10

We have that for $i = 1, \dots, k$: $b_i = \sum_{j=1}^m \alpha_j a_j$. Further, $c = \sum_{i=1}^k \beta_i b_i$.

Hence

$$c = \sum_{i=1}^k \beta_i \sum_{j=1}^m \alpha_j a_j = \sum_{i=1}^k \sum_{j=1}^m \beta_i \alpha_j a_j = \sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^k \beta_i \alpha_j a_j = \sum_{j=1}^m a_j \sum_{i=1}^k \beta_i \alpha_j = \sum_{j=1}^m a_j \gamma_j$$

where $\gamma_j = \sum_{i=1}^k \beta_i \alpha_j$. Then c is a linear combination of a_1, \dots, a_m .