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## Clustering of Agriculture Data through Fuzzy C-Means Technique

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### ABSTRACT

As the data is growing over the cloud servers and user's are downloading the data through the hand-held devices attached via cloud servers, it is necessary to extract the desired information in the less time. In the present paper, an efficient fuzzy based C-Means clustering of data is applied over the real agriculture database related to the wheat and rice grains for optimizing the time of extracting the desired information by the users. It is observed that the fuzzy C-Mean technique applied over the selected database provides the optimize results in comparison of K-Means and computed results in terms of efficiency using python programming and R language are depicted in the form of tables and figures.

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

Agriculture is a major contributor to the economy of many countries among the world. The agriculture sector is generating a large volume of data related to crop yield, soil composition, weather condition and many other factors that effects agriculture production. The data can provide valuable insight that may be able to be used to improve crop yield and make more information decision in the agriculture industry. Clustering is a popular technique in data mining that involves similar objects or data points together. Clustering can help to identify the pattern and relationship within large datasets, making it useful tool for analysing agriculture data .Fuzzy C-Means (FCM) is a clustering algorithm that allows data points belong to multiple clusters, which makes it particularly useful for data sets that have overlapping patterns or datapoints that are difficult to assign to a single cluster. In the recent years, FCM has been applied to various agriculture datasets to identify relationships between different factors affecting crop yield.

The present work is focusing on the use of FCM clustering technique for analysing agriculture data which will discuss for the processing of data preparation, clustering and evaluation of results. The goal of the present work is to demonstrate the effectiveness of FCM in clustering for agriculture data and to provide insight that can improve the agriculture production.

## 2. LITERATURE REVIEW

Cordoba et al. [1] have introduced a novel technique known as KM-sPC . In the subfield management area for defining within-field management classes. The approach coupled fuzzy K-Means cluster analysis with MULTISPATI-PCA to efficiently take into account spatial auto correlation in soil variables. The study's findings showed that KM-sPC outperformed non-spatial clustering strategies in improving within-field management class development, which is characterized by contiguous zoning and significant yield disparities between the demarcated classes. Bansod and Pandey [2] have analysed Principal Component Analysis (PCA) and Fuzzy C-Means (FCM) clustering algorithms were used to look for site-specific spatial variability in apparent Electrical conductivity (EC), crop production, and several soil characteristics. The analysis included looking into how these variables related to one another. Using PCA and FCM clustering algorithms, the findings provided insights into the regional patterns of ECa, crop production, and soil characteristics.. Speranza et al. [3] have developed data mining techniques and a computer application that can generate maps of management zones and yield regions which were used to offer a cluster-based methodology for defining management zones in precision agriculture. Chang et al. [4] have studied to define Management Zones (MZ's) for variable-rate fertilizer applications in tobacco-planting fields using an active canopy sensor to collect Normalized Difference Vegetative Index (NDVI) data at five growth stages. Patel and Patel [5] have summarized of the many data mining techniques used to model agricultural data, including fuzzy C-Means, neural networks, support vector machines, bi-clustering, K-nearest neighbor, and naive Bayes classifiers. The survey highlighted the methodologies' applicability in predictive modeling within the agricultural sector, where the usefulness depends on the particular agricultural data and problems at hand. Singhet al. [6] discussed the use of clustering techniques in precision agriculture and the advantages and disadvantages. It highlights the importance of applying technology and data analysis in maximizing agriculture production capacity. In the year 2015, Bazzi et al. [7] have identified soil and altimetry characteristics that influenced pear orchard yield and generate Management Zones (MZ's) using Fuzzy C-Means algorithm. Two approaches were used i.e. chemical attributes and textural and altitude attributes. Rodrigues and Cora [8] have used Fuzzy C-Means clustering technique to identify management zones while taking both the geographical and temporal variations in soil properties and corn production into account. The study found that there were temporal fluctuations in the optimal count of management zones, highlighting the need of taking into account the temporal dynamics of crop output and soil properties for accurate delineation of management zones. Macroset al. [9] have determined the spatial interrelationships of soil physical properties, in a guava field in the semi-arid region of Brazil, research. In addition, fuzzy C-Means clustering analysis was used in the study to define management zones based on the discovered geographical connections. Another resource for understanding management classes in their context is the cited study. Speranza et al. [10] have successfully built a link between vegetation indices obtained from an RGB camera placed on an Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV) and actual data to evaluate the nitrogen condition of wheat fields. The results showed a strong association between the

Normalized Green-Red Difference Index(NGRDI) , the Normalized Difference Vegetation Index(NDVI), and the values of SPAD and NDVI. This robust link remained for both varieties of wheat under investigation , confirming the usefulness of NGRDI as a trustworthy indicator for the purposes of the study. Gavioliet al. [11] have studied the assessed of three variables selection techniques and proposed a new approach, MPCA-SC, for defining management zones using the Fuzzy C-Means clustering algorithm. Ghoshet al. [12] have focused of the investigation on the use of complete wave form characteristics from the Ice, Cloud and Elevation Satellite/Geoscience Laser Altimeter System (GLAS) to categorize land cover in the western part of Doon Valley, Uttarakhand, India. The K-Means clustering methodology outperformed the other investigated approaches, with an overall classification accuracy of 89.41%. The three defined classes included a forest, a mango orchard, and a more general category that included other land uses like settlements, dry riverbeds, agricultural land, barren or fallow land, etc. Tamiminiaet al. [13] have developed a better multi-temporal PolSAR-based kernel-based C-Means clustering algorithm specifically for crop mapping. This strategy used the Particle Swarm Optimization (PSO) algorithm and polarimetric characteristics to optimize the procedure. Sindhuet al. [14] discussed the application of data mining techniques in agriculture for managing and processing large amounts of data to increase efficiency and productivity. Various techniques of data mining including fuzzy C-Means are described. The use of data mining can help to extract useful information from raw data and address various agriculture problems. Abdullahi1 et al.[15] have researched medicinal properties of vernoniaamygdalina, also known as bitter leaf, revealing its potential as an antidiabetic, antibacterial, antimalarial, antioxidant and cytotoxic agent compound such as steroid glucosides. Mohajer and Salehi [16] have determined and contrast how well the American Soil Taxonomy and World Reference Base soil categorization systems performed in describing the presence of heavy metal contamination in the Lenjant area of Isfahan, Iran. The inquiry was sparked by improvements in classification methods that took into account our growing understanding of human influence on soil formation. Camiciaet al. [17] studied and examined the variable rate seeding for soybean cultivation in two management zones, with productivity measured and mapped using harvest monitoring and inverse square distance interpolation. The result suggests a recommended seeding density of 214,000 plants per hectare in both zones based on economic analysis. Heupel et al.[18] have developed a unique method, using phenological growth and reflectance properties in multitemporal satellite pictures, to identify different crop kinds without the use of training data. The system, which combined fuzzy C-Means clustering and knowledgeable assessments of plant traits, produced an impressive overall accuracy of 89.49% over the 2015 growing season at a test site in Northern Germany. Cilliset al. [19] studied the use of precision agriculture principal to identify and characterized spatial variability in soil fertility and productive potential in field of Venice Lagoon. Rajput and Kumaravelu [20] have presented an affordable clustering method to achieve wireless sensor networks that are both sustainable and energy-efficient, specifically designed for agricultural monitoring in precision agriculture, an affordable clustering method was presented. Zahoet al. [21] have proposed a unique decision-making method, in order to improve precision fertilization methods, that combined Fuzzy C-Means (FCM) clustering with a Radial Basis Function (RBF) neural network fusion algorithm. The method significantly reduced computing time while improving forecast accuracy. Yassine et al. [22] have optimized wireless sensor networks in the context of agriculture, a clustering approach was devised. This strategy focused on reducing network energy usage while also optimizing operations at the network and data link levels. Pavan et al. [23] have discovered multi-attribute relationships including water quality physical characteristics in the context of agricultural crop yield production environments, a novel

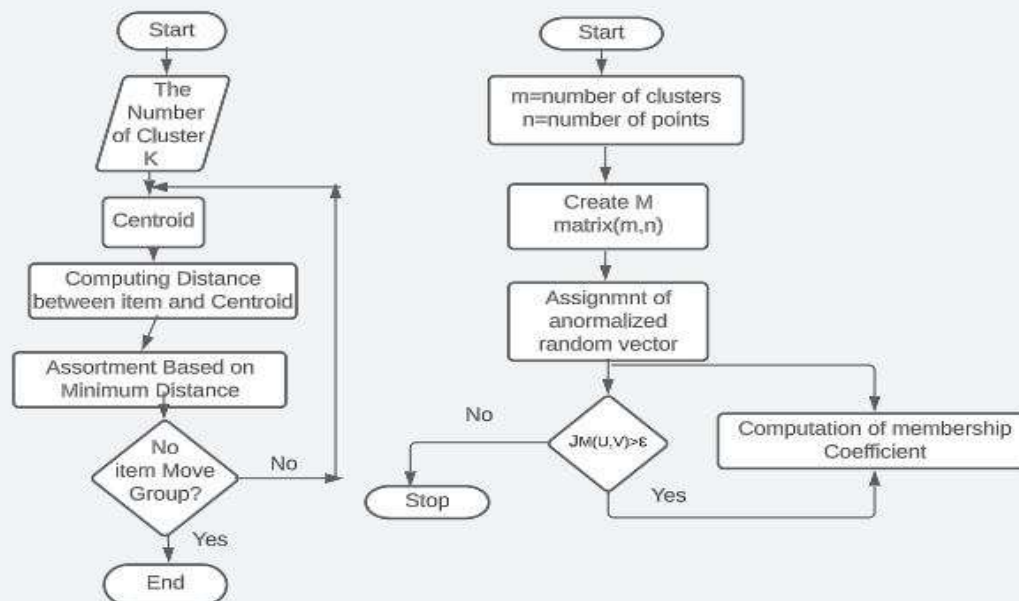
approach leveraging Pareto Optimal based Fuzzy C-Means clustering. Brubek et al.[24] have presented a novel approach to assessing biomass variability and creating management zones in a crop field using K-Means and fuzzy C-Means clustering algorithm. Liu et al. [25] have managed massive data from agricultural image processing, a novel parallel Fuzzy C-Means (FCM) segmentation algorithm based on Apache Spark . With an average speed of 12.54 on ten processing nodes, this method performed remarkably results. In terms of performance improvement, it outscored the Hadoop-based strategy by 128%. Bai et al. [26] have proposed a methodology for evaluating farmer creditworthiness using fuzzy rough-set theory and fuzzy C-Means clustering. Gavioliet al. [27] have proposed twenty methods for defining Management Zones (MZs) inside agricultural areas were subjected to a thorough review. Over ten approaches were included in this study that had not before been investigated for this purpose in published literature. The results showed that McQuality's Method and Fanny stood out as the best choices, producing internally coherent classes and significantly reducing yield variance while preventing spatial fragmentation in demarcated MZs. Geetha and Elizabeth Shanthi [28] have proposed method utilised fuzzy C-Means clustering algorithm of data mining techniques used to predict crop yield in trichy district by analysing previous yield data and multilayer perception design for prediction and the results were compared to a regression algorithm for prediction. Mulyaniet al. [29] studied the productivity of rice plants in Karawang Regency; Indonesia was classified using the Fuzzy C-Means (FCM) algorithm and Silhouette Coefficient evaluation techniques. The results of grouping for the years 2010, 2011, 2013, 2014 and 2015 were good, with only 2012 showing weak results. Zeraatpishes et al. [30] used Principal Component Analysis (PCA) and Fuzzy C-Means clustering techniques in a novel way to identify distinct soil Management Zones (MZs) that were specifically designed for commercial citrus farms in northern Iran. This integration made it possible to develop site-specific nutrient management plans, which ultimately produced economic benefits. The results showed significant variation among the six identified MZs, with MZ5 showing the best soil quality and having the lowest costs per tree. Choudhary et al. [31] used to assess the nitrogen condition of wheat crops, a link between vegetation indices obtained from an RGB camera mounted on an unmanned aerial vehicle (UAV) and actual ground data was created. The results showed that, for the two wheat types under study, there was a significant correlation between the Normalized Green-Red Difference Index (NGRDI), the Normalized Difference Vegetation Index (NDVI), and the SPAD values. Papadopoulos and Kalivas [32] have studied of two selected cotton fields in central Greece and acquired reflectance data using a commercial unmanned aerial system (UAS) before and after planting, while soil and plant properties were determined through grid sampling. Principal Component Analysis (PCA) and Fuzzy C-Means clustering algorithm were applied to categorise sub-areas of the fields into two discrete zones per field, revealing spatial variations mostly in soil properties, which could be directly monitored through aerial reflectance data. In [33] a link between vegetation indices taken from RGB camera mounted on an Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV) and real-world data was created in order to assess the nitrogen status of wheat crops. The results showed a significant and remarkable link between the SPAD values, the Normalized Difference Vegetation Index (NDVI) and the Normalized Green-Red Difference Index (NGRDI) . The reliability of NGRDI as an indicator across the research domain was demonstrated by this correlation, which was clear for both varieties of wheat investigated.

### 3.PROPOSED WORK

The proposed model for clustering of agriculture data through Fuzzy C-Means technique involves several steps, i.e. the data is collected from various sources such as sensory, satellite imagery and agricultural machinery. The data is further preprocessed to remove any missing or irrelevant information. Next, the Fuzzy C-Means algorithm is a popular clustering method used to group similar data points together based on the distance from mean. The fuzzy C-Means algorithm is performed over traditional clustering algorithm such as K-Means and it allows for overlapping clusters and assigns membership probabilities rather than strict classification.

After applying the Fuzzy C-Means algorithm, the resulting clusters are analysed and evaluated using various metrics such as the silhouette score, which measures the similarity within clusters and dissimilarity between clusters. The optimal method of clusters is determined using methods such as the elbow method or silhouette analysis. The final step of the proposed model involves visualising the clusters using techniques such as scatter plots or heatmaps. This allows for easy interpretation and understanding of the relationship between the different agriculture data variables.

Overall, the proposed model aims to provide a reliable and accurate method for clustering agriculture data using the Fuzzy C-means technique. By doing so, it can assist the decision making process related to agriculture, such as identify crop yields, predicting weather pattern, and determine optimal farming. The following figure 1 represents flow of K-Means and FCM methods.



(a) K-Means Method

(b) FCM Method

**Figure 1.** Flow of Clustering Methods

#### 4.RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

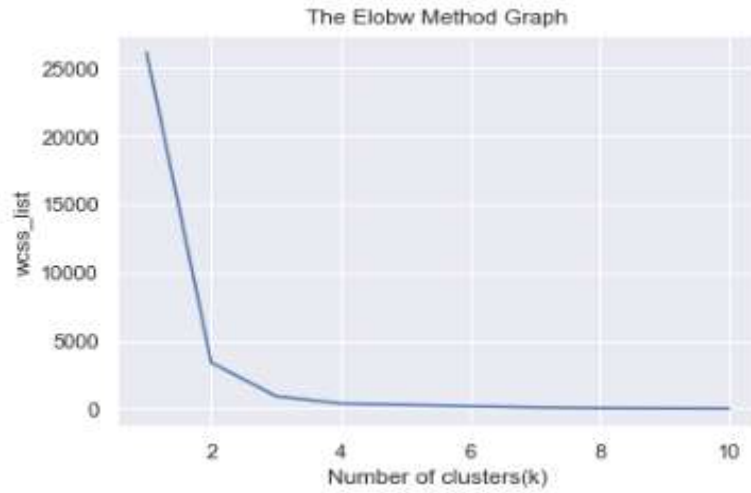
On the basis on proposed models, let us discuss some interesting results . The table1 displays information on crop production in India from 2010-11 to 2020-21. The crop are represented by the respective attribute values, where 1 represents Rice, 2 represents Wheat, 3 represents Coarse, 4 represents Jowyar , 5 represents Bajra, 6 represents Maize, 7 represents total Pulse, 8 represents Gram, 9 represents Arhare,10 represents Masure, 11 represents oil seeds, represents Grounds nut, 12 represents Grounds nut, 13 represents Mustered and 14 represents Soybean production

**Table 1.** Data of Crop Production

Crop	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21
1	95	105	105	106	105	104	109	112	116	118	122
2	86	94	93	95	86	92	98	99	103	107	109
3	43	42	40	43	42	38	43	46	43	47	51
4	7	5	5	5	5	4	4	4	3	4	4
5	10	10	8	9	9	8	9	9	8	10	10
6	21	21	22	24	24	22	25	28	25	28	31
7	18	17	18	19	17	16	23	25	22	23	25
8	8	7	8	9	7	7	9	11	9	11	11
9	2	2	3	3	2	2	4	4	3	3	4
10	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
11	32	29	30	32	27	25	31	31	31	32	36
12	8	6	4	9	7	6	7	9	6	9	10
13	8	6	8	7	6	6	7	8	9	9	10
14	12	12	14	11	10	8	13	10	13	11	12

By applying the Fuzzy C-Means algorithm using Python, the crop production data in the table1 was analyzed with a value of  $k=3$ . The elbow method was used to determine the optimal number of clusters and the results are shown in the figure 2(a). The FCM clustering of crop data is shown in figure 2(b) , where cluster#1 includes RiceandWheat crops, cluster#2 includes Total Pulse, Oil seed, Jowar, Bajara, Grame, Arhare, Masure, Ground Nut, Mustard Oil and Soybeans. When  $k=4$ , the fuzzy cluster was represented in figure 3(a), which shows that only crop 3(Coarse) belongs to its own cluster.

The use of Fuzzy C-Means algorithm on crop production data can be provided insight for decision making related to agriculture, such as identifying the best crop for specific regions or predicting crop yields.

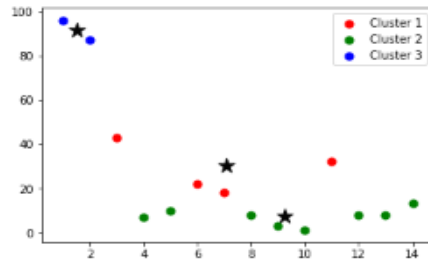


(a). Elbow Method

	Crop	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	\
0	1	96	105	105	107	105	104	110	
1	2	87	95	94	96	87	92	99	
2	3	43	42	40	43	43	39	44	
3	4	7	6	5	6	5	4	5	
4	5	10	10	9	9	9	8	10	
5	6	22	22	22	24	24	23	26	
6	7	18	17	18	19	17	16	23	
7	8	8	8	9	10	7	7	9	
8	9	3	3	3	3	3	3	5	
9	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
10	11	32	30	31	33	28	25	31	
11	12	8	7	5	10	7	7	7	
12	13	8	7	8	8	6	7	8	
13	14	13	12	15	12	10	9	13	

	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21
0	113	116	119	122
1	100	104	108	109
2	47	43	48	51
3	5	3	5	5
4	9	9	10	11
5	29	26	29	32
6	25	22	23	26
7	11	10	11	12
8	4	3	4	4
9	2	1	1	1
10	31	32	32	36
11	9	7	10	10
12	8	9	9	10
13	11	13	11	13



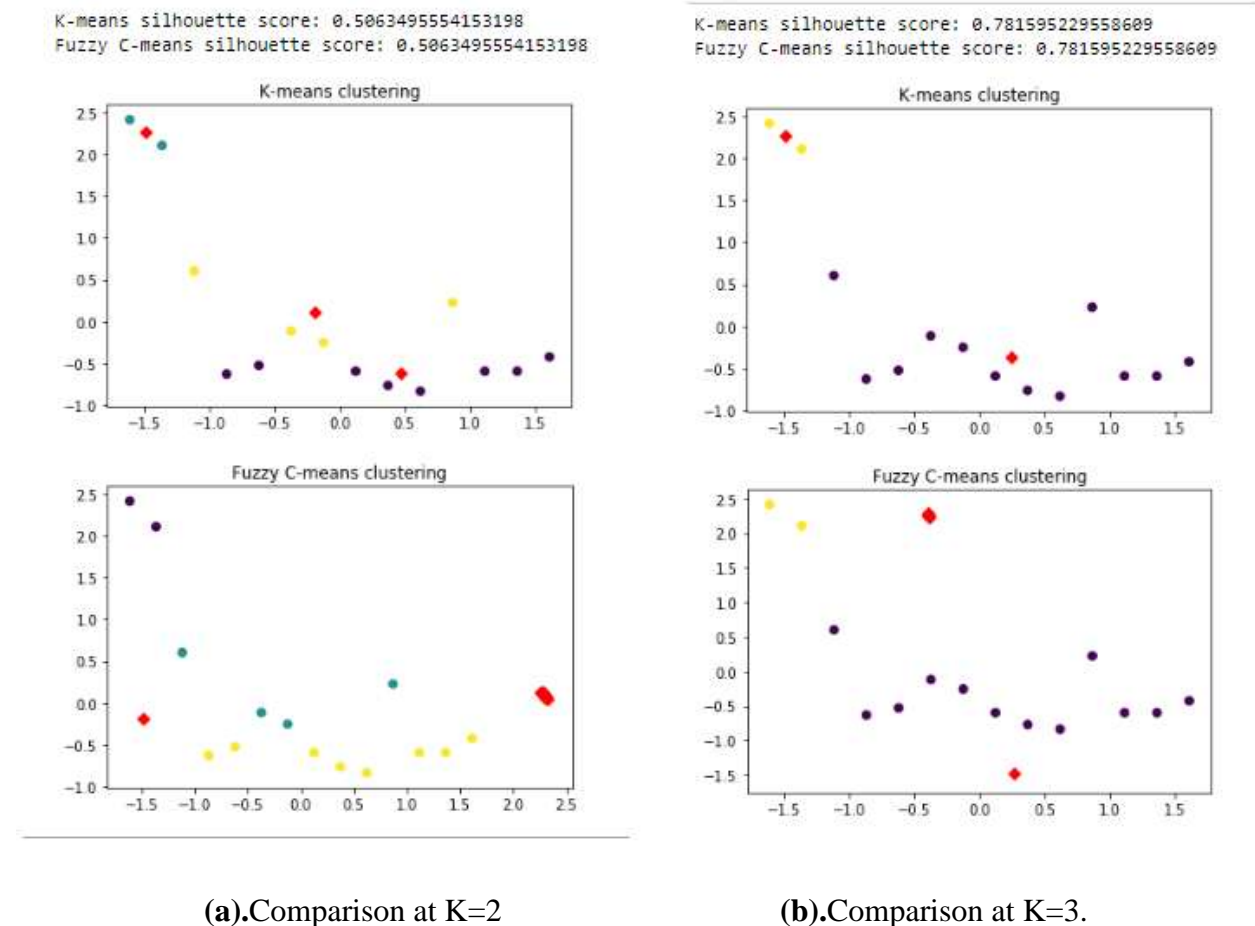
(b). FCM Clustering

**Figure 2.** Representation of Clustering Method

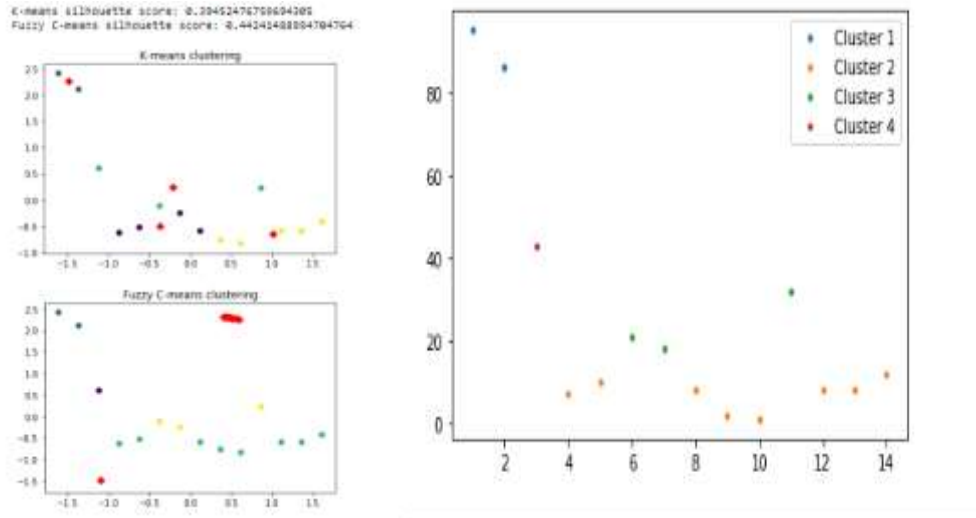
Performance comparison of K-Means and FCM method were carried out by varying the value of k as 2,3 and 4 and calculating the Silhouette Score for each case. The results are presented in the table 2, and it was observed that when k=2 or 3, both K-Means and FCM have the same Silhouette Score. However, when k=4, K-Means has a Silhouette Score of 0.3945, while FCM has a slightly higher.

**Table 2.** Performance of K-Means and FCM Methods

Value of K	K-Means(Silhouette Score)	FCM(Silhouette Score)
2	0.781595229558609	0.781595229558609
3	0.5063495554153198	0.5063495554153198
4	0.39452476759694305	<b>0.44241488994704764</b>

**Figure 3.** Comparison of K-Means and Fuzzy C-Means Clustering





(a). Comparison at K=4

(b).Fuzzy Cluster of Crop Data

**Figure 4.** Comparison of Clustering Algorithms

Using the R language, we performed Fuzzy C-Means clustering on the crop production data in table 1. The resulting data is displayed in the figure 5(a) known as Head(df) and figure 5(b) known as cluster center of crop production, which displays the cluster centers for k=3. From figure 5(b), we can concluded that cluster#1 contains crops 1,2 and 3 (i.e. Rice, Wheat and Coarse), cluster#2 contains crop 6,7 and 11 (i.e. Maize, Total Pulse and Oil Seed) and cluster#3 contains crop 4,5,8,9,10,12,13 and 14 (i.e. Jowar, Bajara, Cereals, Arhar, Masure, Ground Nut, Mustard and Soybeans).

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> setwd("F:/lab")
> df=read.csv("bddatafile.csv")
> str(df)
'data.frame':  14 obs. of  12 variables:
 $ Crop      : int  1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 ...
 $ X2010.11 : num  96 86.9 43.4 7 10.4 ...
 $ X2011.12 : num  105.3 94.88 42.01 5.98 10.28 ...
 $ X2012.13 : num  105.23 93.51 40.04 5.28 8.74 ...
 $ X2013.14 : num  106.65 95.85 43.29 5.54 9.25 ...
 $ X2014.15 : num  105.48 86.53 42.86 5.45 9.18 ...
 $ X2015.16 : num  104.41 92.29 38.52 4.24 8.07 ...
 $ X2016.17 : num  109.7 98.51 43.77 4.57 9.73 ...
 $ X2017.18 : num  112.76 99.87 46.97 4.8 9.21 ...
 $ X2018.19 : num  116.48 103.6 43.06 3.48 8.66 ...
 $ X2019.20 : num  118.87 107.86 47.75 4.77 10.36 ...
 $ X2020.21 : Factor w/ 14 levels "1.45","10.11",...: 8 5 14 13 4 10 9 6 12 1 ...
> head(df)
  Crop X2010.11 X2011.12 X2012.13 X2013.14 X2014.15 X2015.16 X2016.17 X2017.18 X2018.19
1    1   95.98   105.30   105.23   106.65   105.48   104.41   109.70   112.76   116.48
2    2   86.87   94.88   93.51   95.85   86.53   92.29   98.51   99.87   103.60
3    3   43.40   42.01   40.04   43.29   42.86   38.52   43.77   46.97   43.06
4    4    7.00    5.98    5.28    5.54    5.45    4.24    4.57    4.80    3.48
5    5   10.37   10.28    8.74    9.25    9.18    8.07    9.73    9.21    8.66
6    6   21.73   21.76   22.26   24.26   24.17   22.57   25.90   28.75   25.72
  X2019.20 X2020.21
1   118.87   122.27
2   107.86   109.52
3    47.75    51.45
4     4.77     4.78
5    10.36    10.86
6    28.77    31.51
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(a). Head (df)

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Cluster 1 :Crop: 1 2 3x2010.11: 95.98 86.87 43.4x2011.12: 105.3 94.88 42.01x2012.13: 105.23 93.51 40.04x2013.14:
106.65 95.85 43.29x2014.15: 105.48 86.53 42.86x2015.16: 104.41 92.29 38.52x2016.17: 109.7 98.51 43.77x2017.18:
112.76 99.87 46.97x2018.19: 116.48 103.6 43.06x2019.20: 118.87 107.86 47.75x2020.21: 8 5 14

Cluster 2 :Crop: 6 7 11x2010.11: 21.73 18.24 32.48x2011.12: 21.76 17.09 29.8x2012.13: 22.26 18.34 30.94x2013.14:
24.26 19.25 32.75x2014.15: 24.17 17.15 27.51x2015.16: 22.57 16.32 25.25x2016.17: 25.9 23.13 31.28x2017.18: 28.7
5 25.42 31.46x2018.19: 25.72 22.08 31.52x2019.20: 28.77 23.03 32.22x2020.21: 10 9 11

Cluster 3 :Crop: 4 5 8 9 10 12 13 14x2010.11: 7 10.37 8.22 2.86 0.94 8.26 8.18 12.74x2011.12: 5.98 10.28 7.7 2.6
5 1.06 6.96 6.6 12.21x2012.13: 5.28 8.74 8.83 3.02 1.13 4.7 8.03 14.67x2013.14: 5.54 9.25 9.75 3.17 1.02 9.71 7.
88 11.86x2014.15: 5.45 9.18 7.33 2.81 1.04 7.4 6.25 10.37x2015.16: 4.24 8.07 7.06 2.56 0.98 6.73 6.8 8.57x2016.1
7: 4.57 9.73 9.38 4.87 1.22 7.46 7.92 13.16x2017.18: 4.8 9.21 11.38 4.29 1.62 9.25 8.43 10.93x2018.19: 3.48 8.66
9.94 3.32 1.23 6.73 9.26 13.27x2019.20: 4.77 10.36 11.08 3.89 1.1 9.95 9.12 11.23x2020.21: 13 4 6 12 1 3 2 7

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### (b). Cluster Centre

**Figure 5.** Resulting Data for Head and Cluster Centre

To perform the FCM clustering , we paired the data set in table1, which generated the pairing information displayed in figure 6(a) known as pairing data and the corresponding pairing graph

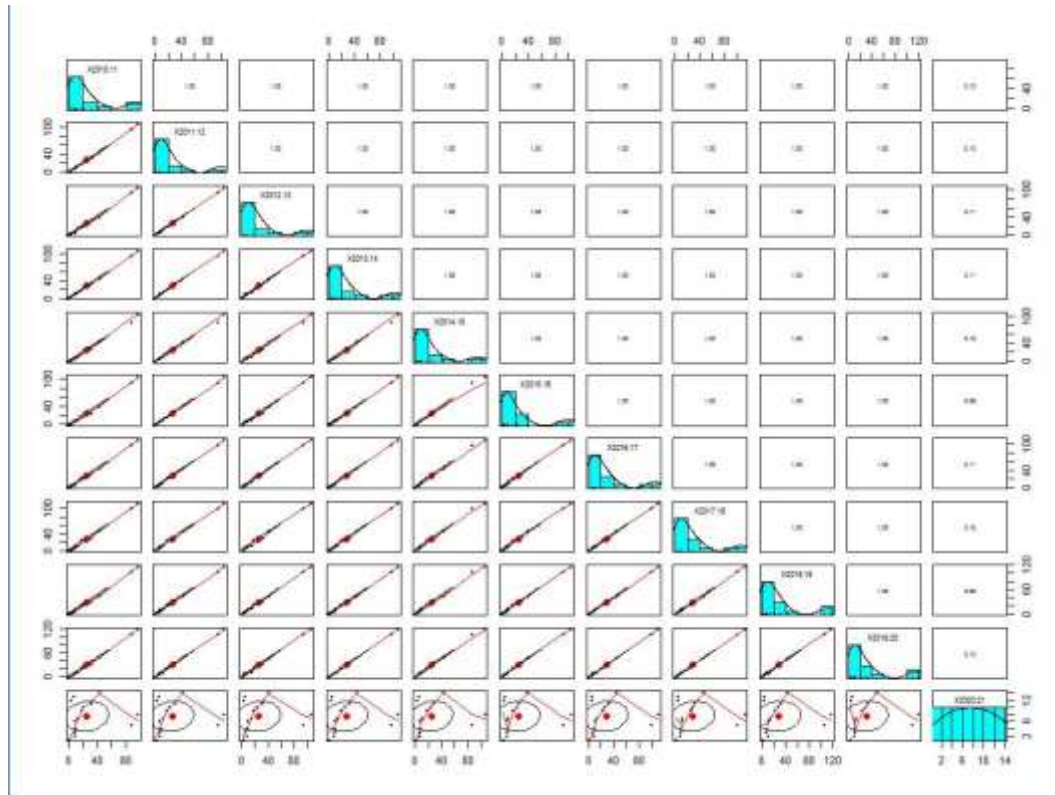
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> pairs(df, col=df[,5])
> cor(df[,1:12])

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	Crop	x2010.11	x2011.12	x2012.13	x2013.14	x2014.15	x2015.16
Crop	1.0000000	-0.6694620	-0.6733819	-0.6586697	-0.6679202	-0.6831197	-0.6796846
x2010.11	-0.6694620	1.0000000	0.9983861	0.9972906	0.9986762	0.9963711	0.9956514
x2011.12	-0.6733819	0.9983861	1.0000000	0.9991491	0.9991894	0.9978946	0.9987822
x2012.13	-0.6586697	0.9972906	0.9991491	1.0000000	0.9984832	0.9970943	0.9981190
x2013.14	-0.6679202	0.9986762	0.9991894	0.9984832	1.0000000	0.9979849	0.9986008
x2014.15	-0.6831197	0.9963711	0.9978946	0.9970943	0.9979849	1.0000000	0.9980111
x2015.16	-0.6796846	0.9956514	0.9987822	0.9981190	0.9986008	0.9980111	1.0000000
x2016.17	-0.6673671	0.9971775	0.9987038	0.9988581	0.9991080	0.9972605	0.9983121
x2017.18	-0.6794699	0.9960809	0.9969983	0.9966570	0.9985140	0.9974634	0.9977536
x2018.19	-0.6583334	0.9962463	0.9985823	0.9992772	0.9986900	0.9971952	0.9988288
x2019.20	-0.6737863	0.9968781	0.9984208	0.9979460	0.9992514	0.9974690	0.9990486
x2020.21	-0.6696413	0.9974806	0.9977547	0.9974592	0.9992394	0.9976999	0.9978564
	x2016.17	x2017.18	x2018.19	x2019.20	x2020.21		
Crop	-0.6673671	-0.6794699	-0.6583334	-0.6737863	-0.6696413		
x2010.11	0.9971775	0.9960809	0.9962463	0.9968781	0.9974806		
x2011.12	0.9987038	0.9969983	0.9985823	0.9984208	0.9977547		
x2012.13	0.9988581	0.9966570	0.9992772	0.9979460	0.9974592		
x2013.14	0.9991080	0.9985140	0.9986900	0.9992514	0.9992394		
x2014.15	0.9972605	0.9974634	0.9971952	0.9974690	0.9976999		
x2015.16	0.9983121	0.9977536	0.9988288	0.9990486	0.9978564		
x2016.17	1.0000000	0.9990504	0.9995482	0.9993305	0.9991346		
x2017.18	0.9990504	1.0000000	0.9983944	0.9994062	0.9996082		
x2018.19	0.9995482	0.9983944	1.0000000	0.9992056	0.9986069		
x2019.20	0.9993305	0.9994062	0.9992056	1.0000000	0.9995247		
x2020.21	0.9991346	0.9996082	0.9986069	0.9995247	1.0000000		

### (a). Pairing Data



(b). Pairing Graph

**Figure 6.** Representataion of Pairing

displayed in figure 6(b) Know as pairing graph.. The pairing graph shows the degree of similarity between each pair of data points, which is used to cluster the data into group.

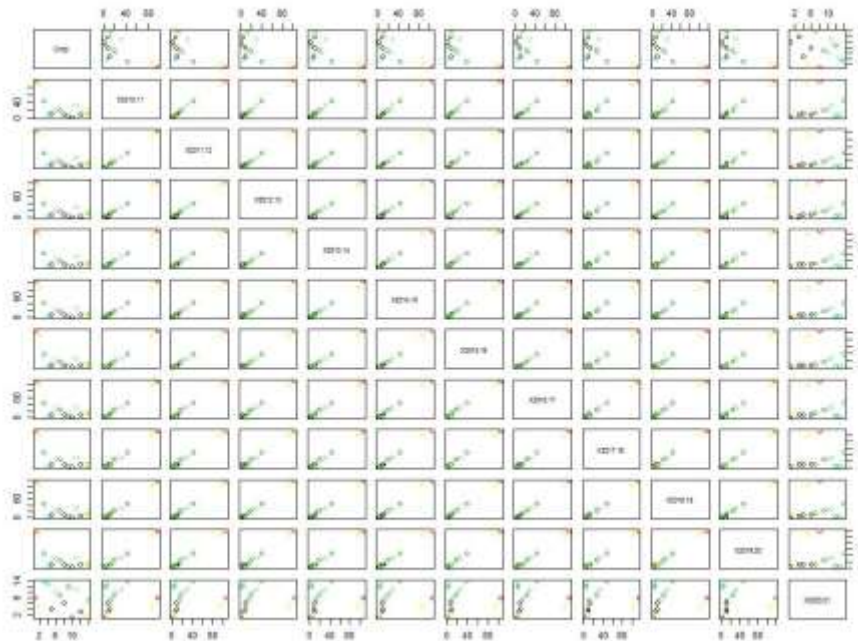
In R language , we can copmpare the K-Means and Fuzzy C-Means clustering algorithms. To do so we use 'fanny' function to perform K-Means clustering on the crop production data of table 1. The results are displayed in 7(a) as membership of each data point. We can calculate within-cluster sum of squares for the K-Means clustering results and save the fuzzy C-Means clustering in the 'fc-cluster' object using the 'fanny( )' function. The membership element along with thefuzziness coefficients are deployed with closest hard clustering.

```

> print(kn_cluster$tot.withinss)
[1] 5305.625
>
> # Plot the k-means clustering result
> plot(crop_data[, -1], col = kn_cluster$cluster, main = "k-means clustering")
>
> # Run fuzzy c-means clustering
> fc_cluster <- fanny(crop_data[, -1], k, metric = "euclidean", stand = FALSE)
>
> # Print the fuzzy c-means clustering result
> print(fc_cluster)
Fuzzy clustering object of class 'fanny' :
n.ship.expon.      2
objective         111.6886
tolerance          1e-13
iterations         21
converged          1
maxit              500
n                  14
Membership coefficients (in %, rounded):
  [,1] [,2] [,3]
[1,]  93   4   3
[2,]  92   5   3
[3,]  13  67  21
[4,]   2   8  90
[5,]   1   8  90
[6,]   2  86  12
[7,]   4  69  27
[8,]   1   8  91
[9,]   2  10  87
[10,]  3  14  82
[11,]  3  87  10
[12,]  1   6  93
[13,]  1   6  93
[14,]  3  20  78
Fuzzyness coefficients:
dunn_coeff normalized
0.7592653 0.6388980
Closest hard clustering:
[1] 1 1 2 3 3 2 2 3 3 3 2 3 3 3
Available components:
[1] "membership" "coeff"      "memb.exp"    "clustering"  "k.crisp"     "objective"

```

(a) Crop Data



(b) Production Plot

**Figure 7.** Representation of Membership and Production Plot

We can then plot the crop production data in the figure 7(b), which shows the K-Means cluster in figure 8(a) and the Fuzzy C-Means cluster in figure 8(b).

**(a).** K-Means Cluster**(b).** Fuzzy C-Means.**Figure 8.** Clustering of Crop Data

Here, we are considering another agriculture data set, agri2.csv, which is shown in the figure 9(b). Figure 9(a) is the same as the table 1 data. For the consideration of K-Means and FCM of two agriculture datasets, the results are given in the figure 9.

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```

> setwd("F:/lab")
> df=read.csv("bddatafile.csv")
> str(df)
'data.frame':  14 obs. of  12 variables:
 $ Crop      : int  1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 ...
 $ X2010.11: num  96 86.9 43.4 7 10.4 ...
 $ X2011.12: num  105.3 94.88 42.01 5.98 10.28 ...
 $ X2012.13: num  105.23 93.51 40.04 5.28 8.74 ...
 $ X2013.14: num  106.65 95.85 43.29 5.54 9.25 ...
 $ X2014.15: num  105.48 86.53 42.86 5.45 9.18 ...
 $ X2015.16: num  104.41 92.29 38.52 4.24 8.07 ...
 $ X2016.17: num  109.7 98.51 43.77 4.57 9.73 ...
 $ X2017.18: num  112.76 99.87 46.97 4.8 9.21 ...
 $ X2018.19: num  116.48 103.6 43.06 3.48 8.66 ...
 $ X2019.20: num  118.87 107.86 47.75 4.77 10.36 ...
 $ X2020.21: Factor w/ 14 levels "1.45","10.11",...: 8 5 14 13 4 10 9 6 12 1 ...
> head(df)
  Crop X2010.11 X2011.12 X2012.13 X2013.14 X2014.15 X2015.16 X2016.17 X2017.18 X2018.19
1     1    95.98   105.30   105.23   106.65   105.48   104.41   109.70   112.76   116.48
2     2    86.87   94.88    93.51    95.85    86.53    92.29    98.51    99.87   103.60
3     3    43.40   42.01    40.04    43.29    42.86    38.52    43.77    46.97    43.06
4     4     7.00    5.98     5.28     5.54     5.45     4.24     4.57     4.80     3.48
5     5    10.37   10.28     8.74     9.25     9.18     8.07     9.73     9.21     8.66
6     6    21.73   21.76    22.26    24.26    24.17    22.57    25.90    28.75    25.72
  X2019.20 X2020.21
1   118.87   122.27
2   107.86   109.52
3    47.75    51.45
4    4.77     4.78
5   10.36    10.86
6   28.77    31.51

```

(a) as bddatafile.csv

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'data.frame':  49 obs. of  7 variables:
 $ Crop      : int  0 0 0 0 1 1 1 1 1 ...
 $ State     : int  1 2 3 4 5 6 4 3 2 ...
 $ Cost.of.Cultivation : num  9794 10593 13469 17051 17131 ...
 $ Cost.of.Cultivation.1 : num  23077 16529 19552 24172 25270 ...
 $ Cost.of.Production : num  1942 2172 1898 3671 2776 ...
 $ Yield     : num  9.83 7.47 9.59 6.42 8.72 ...
 $ X        : logi  NA NA NA NA NA NA ...
> data
  Crop State Cost.of.Cultivation Cost.of.Cultivation.1 Cost.of.Production Yield
1     0     1          9794.05          23076.74          1941.55     9.83
2     0     2         10593.15          16528.68          2172.48     7.47
3     0     3         13468.82          19551.90          1898.30     9.59
4     0     4         17051.66          24171.65          3670.54     6.42
5     0     5         17130.55          25270.26          2775.80     8.72
6     1     5         23711.44          32316.82          2539.47    12.69
7     1     6         29047.10          50828.83          3003.76    24.39
8     1     4         39140.77          44756.72          2509.99    17.83
9     1     3         29616.09          42070.44          2179.26    19.05
10    1     7         29918.97          44018.18          2127.35    19.90
11    2     8          8552.69          12610.85          1691.66     6.83
12    2     9          9803.89          16873.17          1551.94    10.29
13    2     1         12833.04          21618.43          1882.68    10.93
14    2     5         12985.95          18679.33          2277.68     8.08
15    2     4         14421.98          26762.09          1559.04    16.69
16    3     2         13647.10          17314.20          1484.01     4.71
17    3     4         21229.01          30434.61          2554.91    11.97
18    3    10         22507.86          30393.66          2358.00    11.98
19    3     3         22951.28          30114.45          1918.92    13.45
20    3     5         26078.66          32683.46          3207.35     9.33
21    4    11         13513.92          19857.70          404.43     42.95
22    4     2         13792.85          20671.54          581.69    31.10
23    4     8         14421.46          19810.29          658.77    23.56
24    4     1         15635.43          21045.11          1387.36    13.70
25    4     4         25687.09          37801.85          840.58     42.68
26    5    12          5483.54          8266.98          2614.14     3.01
27    5     8          6204.23          9185.59          2088.67     4.05
28    5     2         6440.64          7868.64          5777.48     1.32
29    5     4          6684.18          13209.32          2228.97     5.90
30    5     5         10780.76          15371.45          2261.24     6.70
31    6     1         17022.00          28144.50          732.62    26.61
32    6    12         17478.05          25909.05          715.04    22.42
33    6    13         24731.06          33046.12          731.25    29.04
34    6     6         25154.75          45291.24          669.86    67.41
35    6     4         29664.84          48430.20          789.30    56.00
36    7     9          8686.43          17705.93          1279.60    12.94
37    7     8         11385.70          19259.84          1341.29    13.54
38    7     1         12774.41          22560.30          1595.56    13.57
39    7     3         13740.64          19083.55          1610.40    11.61
40    7     7         14715.27          27507.54          1751.12    19.94
41    8     1         24538.32          45239.51          93.64    448.89
42    8     2         55655.44          86761.77          86.51    986.21

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(b) as agri2.csv

Figure 9. Representation of Data for K-Means and FCM

In table 3, we are providing the silhouette Score of K-Means and FCM by using both Python and R language at different value of K. We concluded that the optimized FCM value is at the value of k where the Silhouette Score is the highest.

**Table 3.** K-Means and FCM Silhouette Score for agri2.csv and bddatafile.csv Dataset

S.No.	Data Set	Language	C(No of Cluster)	m(Fuzziness) /PCA	K-Means Silhouette Score	Fuzzy C-Mean Silhouette Score	Conclusion
1	AGRI2.CSV	R	2	1.5	.628231	<b>.7936738</b>	FCM optimize at <b>K=2</b> and <b>K=4</b>
2			3		.6170364	.6170364	
3			4		.5061651	<b>.5831066</b>	
4			5		.5818557	.5394483	
5			6		.5461024	.503695	
6	AGRI2.CSV	Python	2	PCA	.784	<b>.784</b>	FCM optimize at <b>K=2</b>
7			3		.456	.447	
8			4		.474	.455	
9			5		.509	.495	
10			6		.511	.510	
11	BDDATAFILE1 .CSV	R	2	1.5	.8277224	.8277224	FCM optimize at <b>K=5</b> and better than K-Means
12			3		.6446251	.6446251	
13			4		.586626	.586626	
14			5		.4403872	<b>.5311954</b>	
15			6		.4877484	.4877484	
16	BDDATAFILE1 .CSV	Python	2	PCA	.829	.829	FCM optimize at <b>K=6</b>
17			3		.695	.695	
18			4		.653	.653	
19			5		.541	.541	
20			6		.437	<b>.494</b>	

## 5. CONCLUSIONS

From the above , it is concluded that the clustering of agriculture data through the Fuzzy C-Means technique can provides various insight into agriculture production and helps make to data – driven decision. By implementing the proposed model, farmers and policy maker can give a better understnding of various factors and policy makers can gain a better understanding of the various factors that affect crop yield such as climate, soil quality and cost of production. Additionally, this approach can help ,to identify the patterns and trends in the data that may not be immediately apperent and guide the development of more targated intervention and policies to improv, agriculture outcomes.Overall, the Fuzzy C-Means technique is a powerful technique for clustering agricluture data and has the potential to revolutionalise the agriculture producers and management.

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