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Spatial Point Clustering

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Density-based Clustering: DBSCAN

dbscan: Fast Density-based Clustering with R

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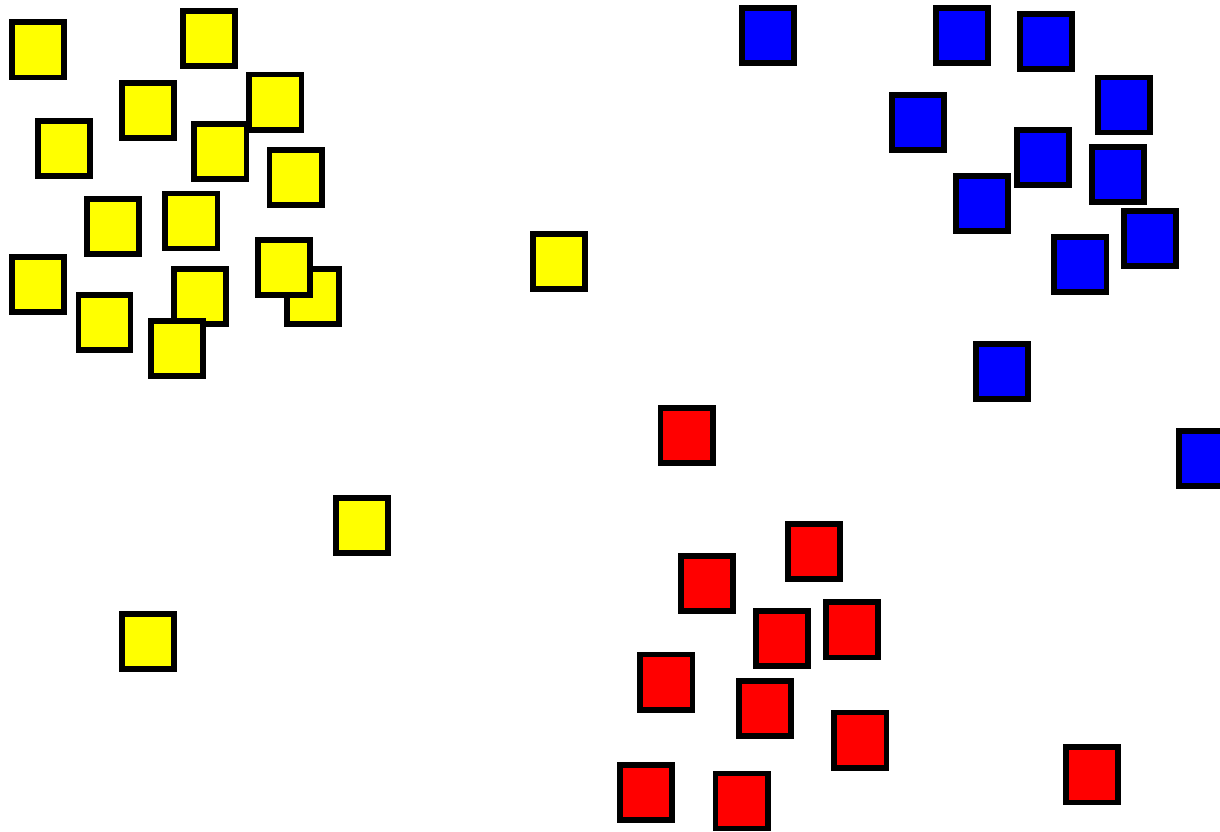
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Abstract

This article describes the implementation and use of the R package **dbscan**, which provides complete and fast implementations of the popular density-based clustering algorithm DBSCAN and the augmented ordering algorithm OPTICS. Compared to other implementations, **dbscan** offers open-source implementations using C++ and advanced data structures like k-d trees to speed up computation. An important advantage of this implementation is that it is up-to-date with several primary advancements that have been added since their original publications, including artifact corrections and dendrogram extraction methods for OPTICS. Experiments with **dbscan**'s implementation of DBSCAN and OPTICS compared and other libraries such as FPC, ELKI, WEKA, PyClustering, SciKit-Learn and SPMF suggest that **dbscan** provides a very efficient implementation.

Keywords: DBSCAN, OPTICS, Density-based Clustering, Hierarchical Clustering.

DBSCAN: Density Based Spatial Clustering of Applications with Noise



DBSCAN: Concepts

Definition 1. ϵ -Neighborhood. *The ϵ -neighborhood, $N_\epsilon(p)$, of a data point p is the set of points within a specified radius ϵ around p .*

$$N_\epsilon(p) = \{q \mid d(p, q) < \epsilon\}$$

where d is some distance measure and $\epsilon \in \mathbb{R}^+$. Note that the point p is always in its own ϵ -neighborhood, i.e., $p \in N_\epsilon(p)$ always holds.

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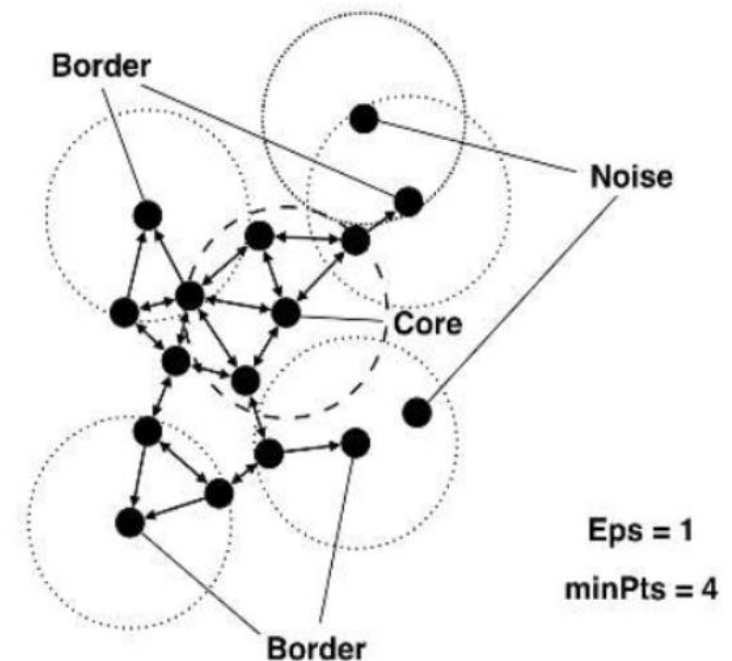
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2. Define Point Classes

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- a **core point** if $N_\epsilon(p)$ has high density, i.e., $|N_\epsilon(p)| \geq \text{minPts}$ where $\text{minPts} \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ is a user-specified density threshold,
- a **border point** if p is not a core point, but it is in the neighborhood of a core point $q \in D$, i.e., $p \in N_\epsilon(q)$, or
- a **noise point**, otherwise.



3. Density-reachable and connected

Definition 3. Directly density-reachable. A point $q \in D$ is directly density-reachable from a point $p \in D$ with respect to ϵ and minPts if, and only if,

1. $|N_\epsilon(p)| \geq \text{minPts}$, and
2. $q \in N_\epsilon(p)$.

That is, p is a core point and q is in its ϵ -neighborhood.

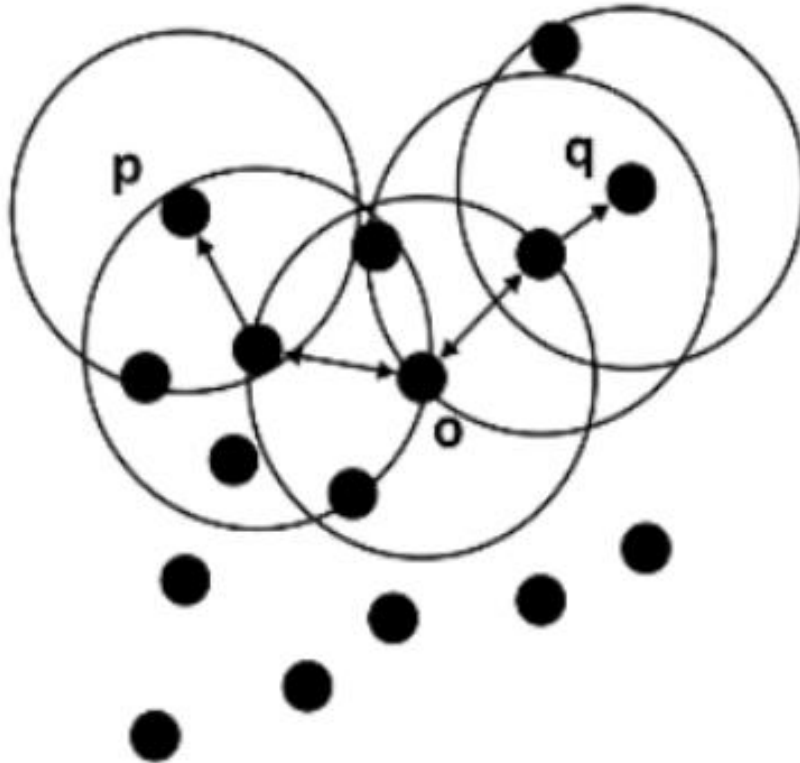
Definition 4. Density-reachable. A point p is density-reachable from q if there exists in D an ordered sequence of points (p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n) with $q = p_1$ and $p = p_n$ such that p_{i+1} directly density-reachable from $p_i \forall i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n-1\}$.

Definition 5. Density-connected. A point $p \in D$ is density-connected to a point $q \in D$ if there is a point $o \in D$ such that both p and q are density-reachable from o .

A Cluster:

1. **Maximality:** If $p \in C$ and q is density-reachable from p , then $q \in C$; and
2. **Connectivity:** $\forall p, q \in C$, p is density-connected to q .

Density-reachable and connected



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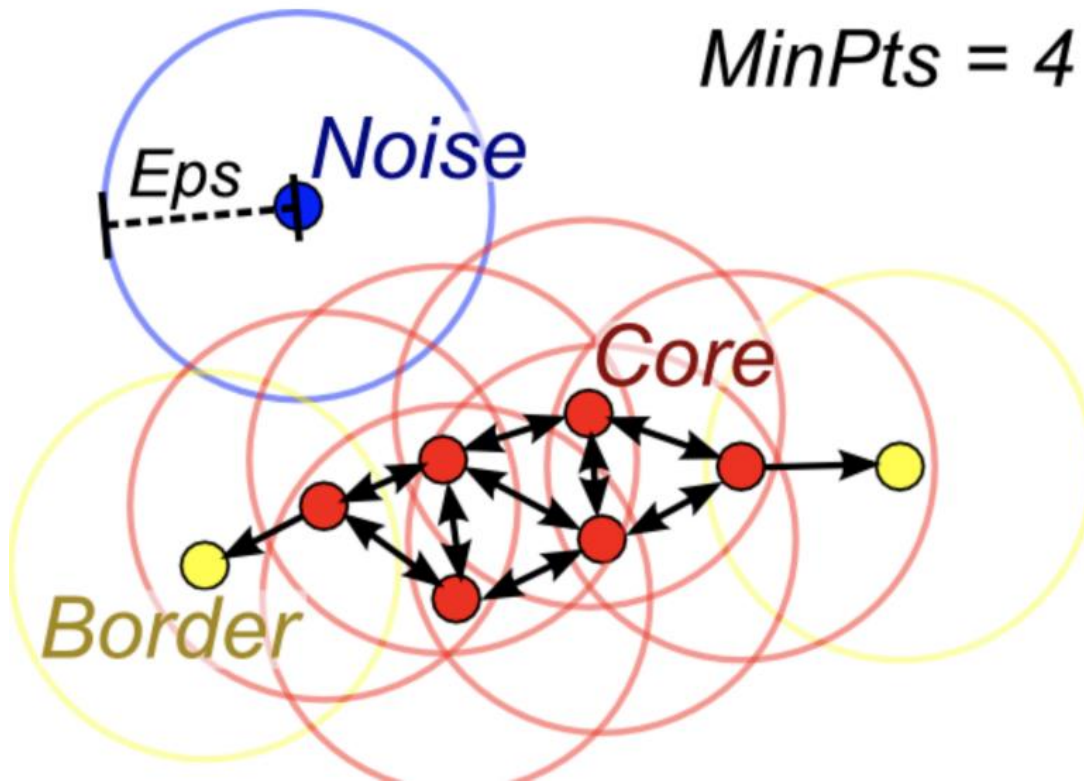
**Therefore
p and q are
density-connected**

Eps = 1

minPts = 4

DBSCAN: Identifying Clusters

$MinPts = 4$

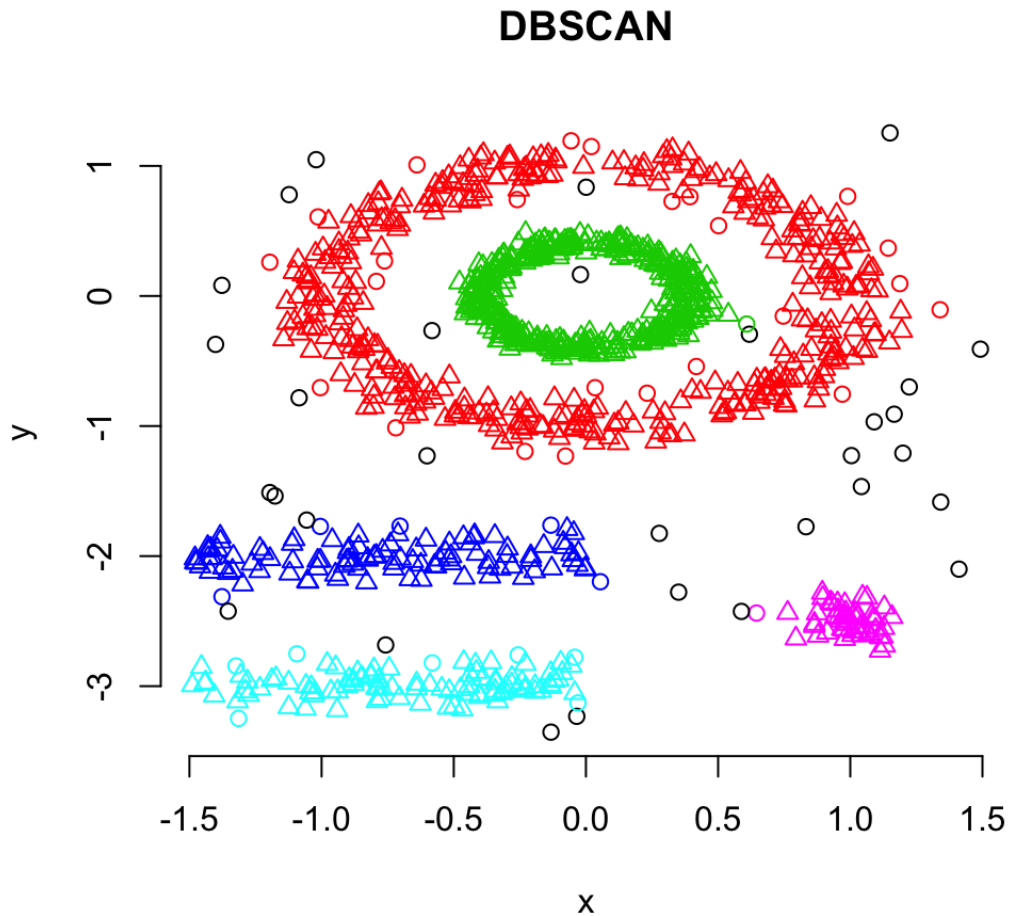


Red: Core Points

Yellow: Border points. Still part of the cluster because it's within epsilon of a core point, but does not meet the `min_points` criteria

Blue: Noise point. Not assigned to a cluster

DBSCAN: Advantages



DBSCAN: Disadvantages

- Does not work well **when dealing with clusters of varying densities**. While DBSCAN is great at separating *high* density clusters from *low* density clusters, DBSCAN struggles with clusters of similar density.
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DBSCAN in R

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install.packages("dbscan")  
library("dbscan")
```

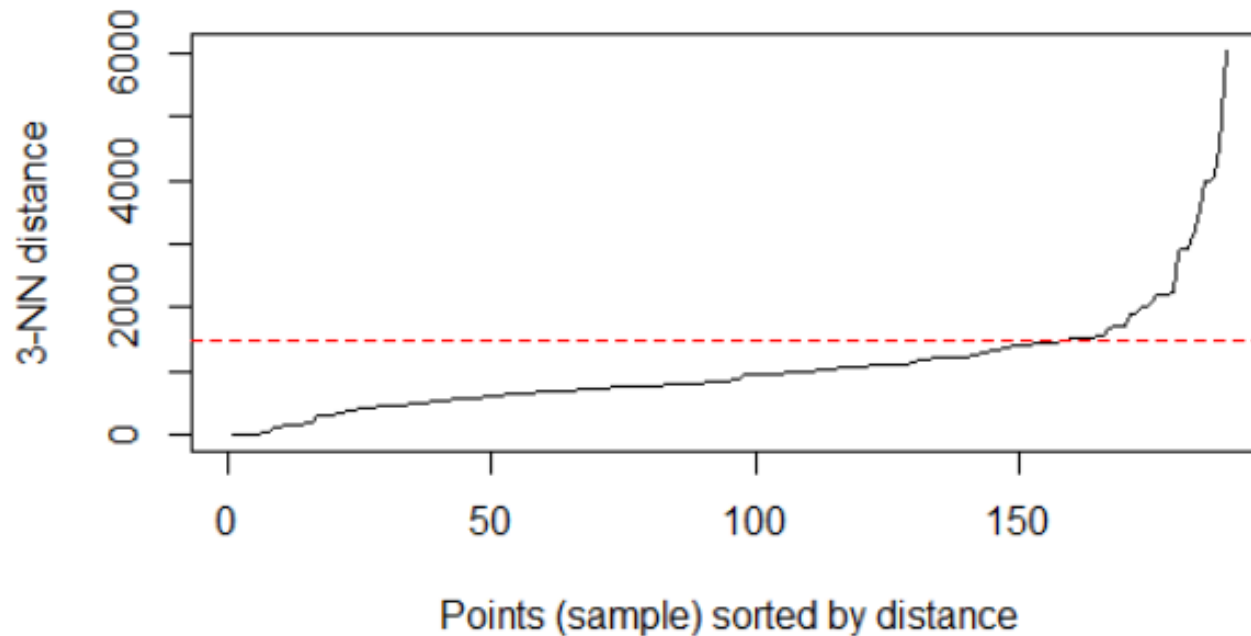
```
Pts0 <- cbind(data[,2], data[,3])
```

```
res <- dbscan(Pts0, eps = 1500, minPts = 3)
```

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How to determine searching radius

K-nearest neighbor (k-NN) distance

```
kNNdistplot(Pts0, k = 3)
```



DBSCAN results

DBSCAN clustering for 63 objects.

Parameters: eps = 1500, minPts = 3

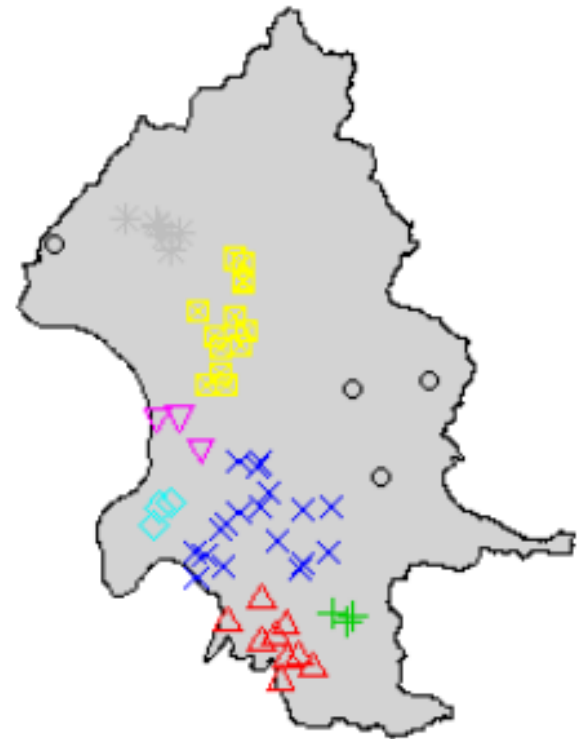
The clustering contains 7 cluster(s) and 4 noise points.

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
4	9	4	19	3	3	14	7

Available fields: cluster, eps, minPts

Plotting DBSCAN results

```
polymap(Pts_bnd, col="lightgray")  
pointmap(Pts0, col = res$cluster + 1, pch = res$cluster + 1, add=T)
```



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- 1. 參考 [Reading_Dual.KDE.pdf](#) 這篇論文關於 market dominance 的定義，用 dual KDE 分析台北市 MIC 或 KFC 市場主導的空間分布。
- 2. 利用 DBSCAN 找出 MIC 與 KFC 的空間群聚。並討論不同參數設定 (eps, minPts)，對於群聚結果的敏感性。