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Background

- MOOCs offer low-cost and convenient education to students
- Huge problem in MOOCs is the low-completion rates
- Widely cited dropout rate is 90%

Objectives

• Explore four datasets from Stanford edX's Statistics in Medicine

• Employ Different K-Means Clustering

• Provide an interactive web application using R for instructors and course administrators

Exploratory Data Analysis I

• Number of students who are in all four datasets: 7659

• Number of students who dropped out: 4996

• Dropout Rate: 65%

Exploratory Data Analysis II



Completion of Course



Exploratory Data Analysis III



- (K=2) K-Means Clustering on Dropout Students
- Used Hours of Effort as Only Feature
- Among dropouts, observed two clusters of students with distinct trend lines of effort levels

(K=6) K-Means Clustering



- Used two features: Hours of Effort + Number of Times Student Played Video
- Divided into Three Time Periods
- Evolve across the different time periods
- Compared Students in Six Clusters to Ground Truth of Dropout Students.
- Three Different Clusters contained an extremely high proportion of Ground Truth Dropout Students

Clustering in Stages

•••	RStudio: Notebook Output			
	Accuracy	Precision	Recall	F1 Score
Full	0.82	0.84	0.94	0.89
Halves	0.85	0.83	0.98	0.90
Quarterly	0.85	0.83	0.99	0.90

Shiny Dashboard Demo

https://jsonbaik.shinyapps.io/shiny_google_form/