

# MapReduce-Based Crow Search-Adopted Partitional Clustering Algorithms for Handling Large-Scale Data

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## ABSTRACT

Cluster analysis is the prominent data mining technique in knowledge discovery, and it discovers the hidden patterns from the data. The k-means, k-modes, and k-prototypes are partition-based clustering algorithms, and these algorithms select the initial centroids randomly. Because of its random selection of initial centroids, these algorithms provide the local optima in solutions. To solve these issues, the strategy of crow search algorithm is employed with these algorithms to obtain the global optimum solution. With the advances in information technology, the size of data increased in a drastic manner from terabytes to petabytes. To make proposed algorithms suitable to handle these voluminous data, the phenomena of parallel implementation of these clustering algorithms is used with Hadoop MapReduce framework. The proposed algorithms are experimented with large-scale data, and the results are compared in terms of cluster evaluation measures and computation time with the number of nodes.

## KEYWORDS

Cluster Analysis, Crow Search Optimization, Hadoop MapReduce, K-Means, K-Modes, K-Prototypes, Large-Scale Data, Parallel Computing

## 1. INTRODUCTION

Clustering is the unsupervised classification technique that extracts useful knowledge from the data without knowing their class labels. The main objective of clustering is that the data objects within a group are similar to one another and dissimilar from the data objects between the clusters. Clustering can be applied in different application domains such as image processing (Lei, Wang, Peng, & Yang, 2011), bioinformatics (Bhattacharya & De, 2010), document clustering (Jun, Park, & Jang, 2014), information retrieval (Chan, 2008) and healthcare (Güneş, Polat, & Yosunkaya, 2010).

Clustering algorithms are broadly divided into two categories: partitional and hierarchical. The partitional clustering algorithms group the data objects into a predefined number of clusters and the hierarchical clustering algorithms group the data objects on the basis of tree like structure using either the bottom-up or top-down approach. The K-Means, K-Modes and K-Prototypes are partition based clustering algorithms and these algorithms handle the numeric, categorical and mixing of numeric and categorical data objects respectively. K-Means is one of the most widely used partitional clustering algorithms to handle numerical data. This algorithm is extended to handle the categorical, mixed numeric and categorical types of data. These algorithms are called as K-Modes and K-Prototypes (Huang, 1998, 1997). While these algorithms are very fast and simple, they have some drawbacks.

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Firstly, the performance heavily depends on the selection of initial centroids and secondly, objective function values contain the local minima. To defeat these issues, various optimization algorithms are proposed and some of those algorithms are literature surveyed. Some of these optimization algorithms include the Genetic Algorithm (GA), Particle Swarm Optimization (PSO), Artificial Bee Colony (ABC), Ant Colony Optimization (ACO), Firefly Algorithm (FA) and Cuckoo Search (CS).

Crow Search Algorithm (Askarzadeh, 2016) is a population based meta-heuristic optimization algorithm that stimulates the intelligent behaviour of the crows. Crows protect their leftover food in hidden places and rescue it whenever needed. This algorithm is based on finding the hidden storage position of excess food of crows. Finding a hidden food source of another crow is not an easy task because if a crow finds any one following, it fools the other crow by moving to the random position.

Recent advances in the technologies, the size of data increases everyday and finding useful information from that is a tedious task. To deal with this, recent technologies are incorporated with traditional algorithms to improve performance. Apache Hadoop is an open source framework and it is used for processing large scale data. This framework processes the data objects in a parallel manner using the MapReduce.

MapReduce (Dean & Ghemawat, 2008) is a programming model for processing large scale data. Hadoop stores the data in Hadoop Distributed File System (HDFS) and it is designed to handle the very large data files running on clusters of commodity hardware. MapReduce is a programming model for data processing and these programs are inherently parallel, thus putting very large scale data for analysis into the hands of anyone with enough machines at their disposal. MapReduce works by breaking the processing into two phases: the map phase and the reduce phase. Each phase has key-value pairs as input and output, the types of which may be chosen by the programmer. The programme needs to specify two functions the map function and the reduce function.

The research gap from the existing works are based on either the K-Means, K-Modes and K-Prototypes or the optimization algorithms are implemented in a Hadoop MapReduce framework or in a Spark for handling very large scale data. Similarly, the global optimization algorithms try to resolve the local optimum insolutions, but they suffer from lowquality results andlow convergence speed, complicated operators, complexstructure and parameter setting issues.

Our motivation of this study is in threefold. First, a three different hybrid clustering algorithms are proposed for choosing the optimal initial centroids and also minimizing the objective function values. Second, the parallel implementation of clustering algorithms is proposed to handle very large scale data. Third, the combination of optimization algorithms and clustering algorithms with MapReduce framework to handle very large scale data efficiently.

The main contribution of this study is to combine the partitional clustering algorithms with nature inspired global optimization algorithm to handle very large scale data more efficiently. In this paper, an improved version of K-Means, K-Modes and K-Prototypes clustering algorithms are proposed. Initially, the CSA is used to obtain the best initial centroids for K-Means, K-Modes and K-Prototype clustering algorithms respectively and also to implement the parallel version of these algorithms using Apache Hadoop MapReduce framework.

This paper is organized as follows: Related works are discussed in Section 2, the partitional clustering algorithms such as K-Means, K-Modes and K-Prototypes clustering algorithms are discussed in Section 3, Crow Search optimization algorithm is discussed in Section 4, Apache Hadoop MapReduce framework is discussed in Section 5, proposed clustering algorithms are presented in Section 6, the experimental results are discussed in Section 7 and the conclude the paper in Section 8.

## 2. BACKGROUND

Data clustering using CSA and K-Means clustering algorithm is proposed in (Lakshmi, Karthikeyani Visalakshi, & Shanthi, 2018). In this, CSA optimization is integrated with the K-Means algorithm to obtain the optimum initial centroids and similarly obtain the global optimum in clustering solutions.

The experimental results are compared with some existing optimization algorithms based on K-Means clustering algorithm. The proposed clustering algorithm outperforms than existing techniques. The proposed clustering algorithm achieves the minimum fitness values with the rich quality of clusters in solutions. Finally, the authors suggested that each optimization algorithm has its own parameters and it is tedious to fix optimum values for these parameters. Similarly, this algorithm can be extended to automatically determine the optimal number of clusters for datasets.

A new automatic clustering algorithm called Automatic Clustering Based on Data Envelopment Analysis (ACDEA) is proposed in (Balavand, Kashan, & Saghaei, 2018). The prominent contribution of this algorithm is to use an aggregation of Cluster Validity Indices (CVI) and Data Envelopment Analysis (DEA). In this, CSA is utilized to attain the initial centroids for the K-Means clustering algorithm and this algorithm is named as CSAK-Means. The CSAK-Means is executed by varying the number of clusters and the corresponding CVI are computed. These outputs form the Decision Making Units (DMU) and its efficiency is calculated using the DEA method. In DEA, the selection of input and output variables is one of the most important steps. In this study, CVI is considered as input and output variables and the number of clusters as DMUs.

CSA based K-Prototype clustering algorithm is proposed in (Lakshmi, Karthikeyani Visalakshi, Shanthi, & Parvathavarthini, 2018). In this work, CSA is integrated with the K-Prototype clustering algorithm to acquire the best initial centroids for the K-Prototype clustering algorithm and it provides global optimum solutions. The experimental results are compared with some existing optimization algorithms based on K-Prototypes clustering algorithm. The proposed clustering algorithm outperforms than existing techniques.

Parvathavarthini, Karthikeyani Visalakshi, Shanthi, & Mohan (2018) proposed the Hybridized FCM and CSA clustering algorithms namely FCM-Crow Search Algorithm to obtain the global optima in clustering solutions. The proposed algorithm results the minimum fitness values in comparison to existing approaches. The authors concluded that the proposed algorithm can be extended to alter the parameter values. Also, extend this method to hybridize the CSA and Intuitionistic fuzzy c-means clustering algorithm.

CSA based Intuitionistic Fuzzy C-Means (IFCM) clustering algorithm is introduced in (Parvathavarthini, Karthikeyani Visalakshi, Shanthi, & Lakshmi, 2018). In this, the CSA is utilized to obtain the optimum initial centroids for the IFCM clustering algorithm. The performance of the proposed clustering algorithm has experimented with benchmark and artificial datasets. It provides optimal results in terms of error rate and objective function values.

Parvathavarthini, Karthikeyani Visalakshi, & Shanthi (2019) proposed CSA based Intuitionistic fuzzy clustering approach with neighborhood attraction (CrSA-IFCM-NA) to identify the breast cancer. Instead of selecting the random initial centroids, CSA is applied to choose the best initial centroids. Further, this algorithm is applied for detecting the breast cancer. The proposed algorithm achieves the better results in comparison to the state-of-art techniques.

Wu, Huang, & Girsang (2018) introduced the hybrid algorithm based on Whole optimization algorithm (WOA) and Crow search algorithm (CSA) called HWCA. The proposed algorithm results the high quality of clusters in comparison to WOA and CSA. The authors suggested to develop an application of the HWCA algorithm in medical image clustering and to decrease the computation time by using some pattern reduction approaches.

The CSA is modified to resolve the graph coloring problem and it is proposed in (Meraihi, Mahseur, & Acheli, 2020). The binary crow search algorithm is derived from the CSA and the chaotic maps are used to choose the right values for the parameters of CSA. Finally, the Gaussian distribution is adopted to replace the random variables used in updating the position of crows.

CSA is hybridized with Elman Neural Network (ENN) and it is proposed in (Ullah et al, 2020). The proposed model has experimented with leukemiaDNA sequence classification. The performance is experimented with accuracy and mean square error measures.

Ghany, AbdelAziz, Soliman, & Sewisy (2020) proposed the hybridized WOA with TS algorithm called WOATS and it is utilized for data clustering. This technique prevented the WOATS from getting trapped in local optima. Likewise, proved its superiority over multiple original and hybrid swarm based intelligence methods. The authors suggested in future to grouping the massive biological datasets in the new technology called Big data.

Nguyen and Kuo (2019) developed a novel automatic fuzzy clustering using non-dominated sorting particle swarm optimization (AFC-NSPSO) algorithm for categorical data. The proposed AFC-NSPSO algorithm can automatically identify the optimal number of clusters and exploit the clustering result with the corresponding selected number of clusters.

Ji, Pang, Zheng, Wang, & Ma (2015) proposed the Artificial Bee Colony (ABC) based K-Modes clustering algorithm namely, ABC-K-Modes algorithm. To avoid K-Modes partitional clustering algorithm prone to local optima, the authors proposed the hybrid Artificial Bee Colony with K-Modes clustering algorithm is proposed. The experimental results revealed that the proposed algorithm is superior to the existing algorithms according to the cluster evaluation measures. The author extend this approach to group the mixed data containing both numeric and categorical attributes. Also, investigate the potential of ABC-K-Modes to social media data. Moreover, explore the other swarm intelligence algorithms for clustering categorical data as well as mixed.

Ji, Pang, Li, He, Feng, & Zhao (2020) proposed the Novel partitional Clustering algorithm based on Cuckoo Search and K-Prototypes (CCS-K-Prototypes) for clustering mixed numeric and categorical data. It finds the global solutions for the different types of attributes. They also suggested the multi-objective optimisation approaches to clustering mixed data and multi-view clustering and deep clustering for mixed data.

Nithya and Arun Prabha (2019) proposed the Lion Optimization based K-Prototypes clustering algorithm. The authors utilize the Lion optimization for finding the best initial centroids for K-Prototypes clustering algorithm. It reaches the global optimum in solutions and also yields the improved results than the traditional K-Prototypes algorithm.

Lu (2019) proposed the Parallel K-means clustering algorithm that is implemented in Hadoop platform. The proposed clustering algorithm reduces the time complexity and improves the accuracy. The selection of data sampling and initial centroids that affecting the final clustering effect. The author suggested the quick selection of sample data and initial clustering centroids needed in further research. This experiment only uses four nodes so that lacking in testing of large-scale data clustering on larger data sets.

A parallel implementation of the k-means clustering algorithm based on MapReduce is introduced in (Zhao, Ma, & He, 2009). In this algorithm, it first computes the initial cluster center in the map phase and then updates the global center in the reduce phase. The efficiency of this method is measured using speedup, scaleup and sizeup measures. The experimental results show that this method is able to cluster large data sets using commodity hardware.

Tao, Xiangwu, & Yefeng (2015) proposed parallel K-Modes clustering algorithm based on MapReduce framework to handle the large scale categorical data. The proposed algorithm has been experimented with US Census data and the speedup measure is utilized to compare its performance. The experimental results show that the parallel k-modes achieves the better speedup ratio to process the large scale categorical data.

A parallel implementation of MapReduce based K-Prototypes clustering algorithm is proposed in (HajKacem, N'cir, & Essoussi, 2015). The K-Prototypes clustering algorithm is used for handling large scale mixed numeric and categorical types of data. This parallelized K-Prototypes algorithm is applied to clustering the big data. The performance of the proposed method is compared in terms of speedup and scaleup measures. This algorithm requires the computation of distances between each of the cluster centers and the data points. But, these distance computations are redundant, because data objects usually stay in the same cluster after some iterations. Similarly, each iteration of K-Prototypes, the whole data set must be read and written to disks and it results in the high input/

output (I/O) operations. To handle these issues, one-pass accelerated MapReduce-based K-Prototypes clustering algorithm for mixed large scale data (HajKacem, N'cir, & Essoussi, 2019). The proposed algorithm reads and writes the data only once which reduces largely the I/O operations. Similarly, the proposed algorithm is based on a pruning strategy to accelerate the clustering process by reducing the redundant distance computations between cluster centers and data points.

A parallel implementation of the Fuzzy C-Means (FCM) clustering algorithm using the MapReduce model is presented in (Ludwig, 2015). This algorithm consists of two MapReduce jobs, one MapReduce calculates the centroid matrix by iterating over the data records, and the second MapReduce iterates over the data records to update the membership matrix. The accuracy measure is performed to validate the proposed method. Also, speedup is calculated to evaluate the efficiency of the proposed method.

Parallel implementation of MapReduce based DBCURE algorithm called DBCURE-MR is proposed in (Y. Kim, Shim, M. Kim, Lee, 2014). In this, the new density-based clustering algorithm to find clusters with varying densities and parallelizing the algorithm with MapReduce is proposed. The traditional density-based algorithms find each cluster one by one but DBCURE-MR finds several clusters together in parallel. The k-Nearest Neighbour method based on the MapReduce paradigm has been proposed by (Anchalia & Roy, 2014) in order to process a high volume of data in a distributed computing environment.

A parallel implementation of the Tabu Search based k-means clustering algorithm is presented in (Lu, Cao, Rego, & Glover, 2018). Applying the metaheuristic algorithm Tabu Search is implemented in the Spark environment and also obtains the best centroids for the k-means clustering algorithm.

The scaling Genetic Algorithm using MapReduce is presented in (Verma, Llorà, Goldberg, & Campbell, 2009). In this, the transformation of GA into MapReduce primitives to demonstrate its scalability lies on large datasets. It also overcomes the MPI based parallel Genetic Algorithm because it requires knowledge about the machine architecture. Mapreduce based Genetic Algorithm provides the scalability and fault-tolerant applications.

Wang, Yuan, & Jiang (2012) proposed the Parallel K-PSO and this algorithm takes the advantage of PSO to overcome the local search ability of K-means and makes the K-means in parallel with MapReduce to enhance the processing massive data. The results show that the Parallel K-PSO efficiently handle the large data in comparison to Parallel K-means and Serial K-means.

Parallel implementation of a Glowworm swarm optimization based clustering algorithm is proposed in (Al-Madi, Aljarah, & Ludwig, 2014). In this, the implementation of scalable glowworm swarm optimization clustering (MRCGSO) using MapReduce to handle the big data is used. It uses the Glowworm swarm optimization to formulate the clustering algorithm and also used to take advantage of its ability in solving multimodal problems, which in terms of clustering means find the multiple centroids. MRCGSO uses the MapReduce framework for the parallelization because it provides fault tolerance, load balancing and data locality. The experimental results reveal that the MRCGSO scales very well with increasing the size of data objects and reaches a very close to linear speedup while preserving the quality of clusters.

Banhansakun (2017) implemented the ABC algorithm in MapReduce framework and groups the large data instances with the objective of minimizing the sum of the squared Euclidean distance between each data object and the cluster centroids which it belongs. In this, two main operations are performed, one is updating the cluster centroids and the second one is evaluation of fitness. The cluster centroids are updated based on the ABC algorithm. The results show that the MR-ABC offers a good quality of clustering and it outperforms than other recent techniques. Also it is highly efficient from the perspective of both solution quality and algorithm performance. The author suggested to extend this experiments to be on much larger datasets (terabyte size) with more than hundreds computing nodes. The problem with parameter settings on the proposed algorithm will be also addressed. Furthermore, employ the MR-ABC method in other practical applications such as content based image retrieval.

Sinha & Jana (2018) proposed the two phase MapReduce based hybrid clustering algorithm for distributed datasets. The authors proposed the novel clustering algorithm for handling distributed datasets using Genetic Algorithm with Mahalanbi distance and k-means clustering algorithm. The proposed algorithm outperforms than MR-k-means and Parallel k-means. It works only for static datasets. In future, develop a real-time GA based clustering algorithm for dynamic dataset.

Wang & Tsai (2018) proposed Coral Reef Optimization with Substrate Layers (CRO-SL) in a Spark environment. The CRO-SL with Spark is not faster than k-means, but it is faster than the GKA in solving large-scale or unbalanced datasets. The analysis results of the parameter settings also show that the end results are affected by the parameter settings of CRO. Therefore, how to find out a set of applicable parameters for CRO-based algorithms is still an open issue.

Tripathi, Sharma, & Bala (2018) introduced a novel variant of Grey Wolf Optimizer called Enhanced Grey Wolf Optimizer (EGWO). Further, the proposed EGWO is parallelized in an Apache Hadoop MapReduce framework named MR-EGWO to process the large-scale datasets. The proposed approach outperforms than k-means and other optimization algorithms. Also, MR-EGWO provides a rich quality of clusters and efficiently handles the large volume of data sets. Recent parallelization tools like Spark may be tested to reduce the computation time of the proposed method. Moreover, the proposed method could be extended on some real-world clustering applications with large datasets like twitter analysis, video analysis, and satellite image analysis.

From the literature survey, it is observed that the CSA is hybridized with various clustering algorithms and are experimented with limited size of datasets. Likewise, the CSA is utilized for resolving the various engineering optimization problems. However, the hybrid CSA and clustering algorithms are not utilized for very large scale data in the distributed environment.

### 3. PARTITIONAL CLUSTERING ALGORITHMS

The partitional clustering algorithms group the given  $N$  data instances into predefined  $K$  number of partitions. The K-Means, K-Modes and K-Prototypes are such partition based clustering algorithms. The K-Modes algorithm is an extension of the K-Means algorithm by done the following modifications: (i) Euclidean distance is replaced with matching dissimilarity measure and (ii) frequency-based approach is utilized to update the centroids. The K-Means algorithm is extended to the K-Prototypes algorithm to group the mixing of numeric and categorical types of data objects. The main objective of these clustering algorithms is to minimize the sum of squared distance between the data instances and centroids values. The main objective function of K-Means, K-Modes and K-Prototypes clustering algorithms are defined in Equation (1).

$$F(U, Z) = \sum_{l=1}^K \sum_{i=1}^N U_{il} d(U_i, Z_l) \quad (1)$$

$U_{il}$  is an  $N \times K$  matrix where each element belongs to 0 or 1 ( $0 \leq U_{il} \leq 1$ );  $N$  is the total number of data objects and  $K$  is the number of clusters.  $d(U_i, Z_l)$  is the distance measure and it is computed between the data objects and centroids objects. The Euclidean distance is computed in K-Means, matching dissimilarity is computed in K-Modes.

The distance is computed for the K-Means clustering algorithm using Equation (2).

$$dis(X^i, Z^j) = \sqrt{\sum_{l=1}^{m^r} (X^{il} - Z^{jl})^2} \quad (2)$$

where  $m^r$  is the number of numeric features.

Likewise, computing the distance for K-Modes clustering algorithm by utilizing Equation (3).

$$dis(X^i, Z^j) = \sum_{l=1}^{m^c} \delta(X^{il}, Z^{jl}) \quad (3)$$

where  $m^c$  is the number of categorical features and  $\delta(X^{il}, Z^{jl})$  is a dissimilarity measure. The  $\delta(X^{il}, Z^{jl})$  is computed by using Equation (4).

$$(U^{il}, Z^{jl}) = \begin{cases} 0, & U^{il} = Z^{jl} \\ 1, & U^{il} \neq Z^{jl} \end{cases} \quad (4)$$

In the same way, the computation of distance for K-Prototypes clustering algorithm by using Equation (5).

$$dis(X^i, Z^j) = \sum_{l=1}^{m^r} (X_{il}^r - Z_{jl}^r)^2 + wt \sum_{l=1}^{m^c} \delta(X_{il}^c, Z_{jl}^c) \quad (5)$$

where  $X_{il}^r$  is the numeric data instances,  $Z_{jl}^r$  is the numeric centroid values,  $X_{il}^c$  is the categorical data instances,  $Z_{jl}^c$  is the categorical centroid values and  $wt$  is the weight for categorical data.

These algorithms are terminated when one of the following conditions are satisfied: (i) The average change in the centroids (ii) The maximum number iterations is reached (iii) No change in the clustershup of objects.

While these partitional clustering algorithms are simple and easy to implement, they possess some main issues that include (i) need the number of clusters in advance and (ii) K-Means that handles the numeric data, K-Modes that handles the categorical data and K-Prototypes that handles the mixed numeric and categorical data (iii) the K-Means, K-Modes and K-Prototypes algorithms produce the local optimum in objective function values.

The pseudocode for K-Means, K-Modes and K-Prototypes clustering algorithms are described in Algorithm 1:

Algorithm 1. Pseudocode for partitional Clustering Algorithms

**Input:** Dataset X, Number of partitions K

**Output:** K partitions of data

Step 1: Generate the K initial centroids randomly.

Step 2: For each data instance, find the distance with initial centroids and assign it to the

closest centroids. The distance is computed for K-Means, K-Modes and K-Prototypes

using (2), (3) and (5) respectively.

Step 3: For updating the centroids,

a. In K-Means, Compute the mean from newly formed clusters by using the equation (6).

b. In K-Modes, frequencies of attributes are utilized.

c. In K-Prototypes, mean computation is utilized for numeric and frequency-based approach for categorical types of data.

Step 4: Repeat the steps 2 and 3 until the convergence criteria are met.

#### 4. CROW SEARCH ALGORITHM

Crows observe other birds where they hide their foods and steal them when those birds leave. Crows follow each other to obtain better food sources but finding food source is not an easy task because if the crow finds anyone following, it tries to fool that by moving to another random position. For example, when the crow  $x$  is moving to visit its hidden position, the crow  $y$  follows it. In this stage, two situations occur: in the first situation, the crow  $x$  does not know about the existence of crow  $y$  and it moves towards its hidden position. In the second situation, if the crow  $x$  is aware of crow  $y$  following, in order to protect its hidden food position, it will direct crow  $y$  to an unspecified place. Based on this, the new positions are searched in successive iterations and are memorized to obtain the optimum solutions.

In this, crows are searchers, the environment is the search space, and each position is a feasible solution. Food hiding places search space, quality of the food source is fitness function and best food source is the global solution. The main principles of this algorithm are: (i) Crows live in the form flock, (ii) Crows memorize the position of their hiding places, (iii) Crows follow each other to do thievery (iv) Crows protect their caches from being pilfered by a probability.

The  $n$  is a number of crows with  $d$  dimensional environment and the position of crow  $i$  at iteration  $iter$  in the search space is specified as  $x^{i,iter}$ . Crows also have a memory to memorize the best history of positions of hiding places and it is specified by  $m^{i,iter}$ .

Each optimization algorithm has intensification and diversification parameters. Intensification specifies the explored regions thoroughly to find better solutions and diversification specifies the non-explored must be visiting in all regions of the search space. In CSA, intensification is specified in Awareness Probability (AP) and diversification is specified in Flight Length (FL). The pseudocode for the CSA optimization algorithm is shown in Algorithm 2:

Algorithm 2. Pseudocode for Crow Search Algorithm

**Input:** flock size  $n$ , number of iterations  $max\_iter$ , flight length  $FL$  and

awareness probability  $AP$

**Output:** Global best solutions

Step 1: Initialize the flock size  $n$ , number of iterations  $max\_iter$ , Flight length (FL) and Awareness Probability (AP).

Step 2: Initialize the population randomly such that each crow specifies the feasible solution to the problem.

Step 3: Initialize the memory of the crows with the initial position of the crows because initially, crows have no experiences about better positions.

Step 4: Evaluate the initial position of the crows.

Step 5: While  $it < max\_iter$

a. for  $i = 1:n$

i. Generate a new position by randomly choose one of the crows and follows it to discover the new position.

ii. If the crow does not find anyone following, the crow will access the hiding place of that crow by using the Equation (6)

$$x^{it+1} = x^{i,it} + r_i \times fl^{i,it} \times (m^{i,it} - x^{i,it}) \quad (6)$$

iii. Else fool the following crow by choosing the random position.

b. End for

c. Check the feasibility of the new positions.

- d. Evaluate the new position of the crows.
- e. Update the memory of the crows using the Equation (7)

$$m_i^{it+1} = \begin{cases} x_i^{(it+1)} & \text{if } f(x_i^{(it+1)}) \text{ is better than } f(m_i^{it}) \\ m_i^{it} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (7)$$

Step 6: End while

## 5. APACHE HADOOP MAPREDUCE FRAMEWORK

Apache Hadoop is a Java based open source framework and it allows the processing of massive amounts of data that are distributed across multiple computers using simple programming models. It is designed to scale up from the single servers to thousands of machines and each offers the local computation and storage. It works in an environment that provides distributed storage and computation across the clusters of computers.

The Apache Hadoop framework base is composed of the following modules: (i) Hadoop Common: contains libraries and utilities which are needed for the Hadoop modules, (ii) Hadoop Distributed File System (HDFS): this is a distributed file system that stores data on commodity machines, (iii) Hadoop YARN: it is a platform that is responsible for managing computing resources in clusters and used for scheduling users' applications and (iv) Hadoop MapReduce: it is a programming model for handling large-scale data processing.

MapReduce is the Java based open source framework for large scale data processing. It processes large data by distributing and running the data in clusters of commodity hardware. Hadoop possesses the Hadoop Distributed File System (HDFS) and it stores the very large data files. MapReduce process the data in the form of <key, value> pairs. MapReduce is divided into two phases: Map phase and Reduce phase.

The map/reduce framework will split the input into fixed-size chunks and each chunk is executed in the map function for each record in the chunk. The map script takes some input data and maps it to <key, value> pairs according to your specifications. The purpose of the map script is to model the data into <key, value> pairs for the reducer to aggregate. The map task results are writing output to a local disk of the respective node and not in the HDFS. Also, the output of Map is intermediate and it is processed by reduce tasks to produce the final output. The reduce script takes a collection of <key, value> pairs and "reduces" them according to the user. The reduce script to simply sum the values of the collection of <key, value> pairs which have the same key.

MapReduce is a programming abstraction that hides the underlying complexity of distributed data processing. The traditional systems would bring the data to the processing unit and process it. As the data grew huge, transferring these data to the processing unit involved the following issues: (i) moving huge data to process is costly and deteriorates the network performance, (ii) the processing takes more time as the data process in a single unit becomes the bottleneck and (iii) master node can get overburdened and may fail.

Nowadays, the MapReduce allows overcoming the above obstacles by bringing the processing unit to the data. MapReduce technology has the following advantages: (i) It is very cost effective because it moves the processing unit to the data, (ii) The processing time is also reduced as all the nodes are working in parallel and (iii) Every node gets a part of the data to process and there is no chance of a node getting overburdened.

## 6. MAPREDUCE BASED CROW SEARCH ADOPTED PARTITIONAL CLUSTERING ALGORITHMS

The proposed MapReduce based Crow Search optimization with K-Means, K-Modes and K-Prototypes clustering algorithms are implemented in two phases. In the first phase, the Crow search optimization algorithm is hybridized with the partitional clustering algorithms such as CSAK-Means, CSAK-Modes and CSAK-Prototypes to obtain the best centroids. The pseudocode for the first phase is shown in Algorithm 3.

Algorithm 3. Pseudocode for CSA adopted partitional clustering algorithms

**Input:** flock size  $n$ , number of iterations  $max\_iter$ , Flight Length  $FL$  and

Awareness Probability  $AP$ , Dataset  $X$ , Number of partitions  $K$

**Output:**  $K$  number of partitions

Step 1: Initialize the flock size  $n$ , number of iterations  $max\_iter$ , Flight Length ( $FL$ ) and Awareness Probability ( $AP$ ), Number of Clusters  $K$ .

Step 2: Initialize the population randomly such that each row specifies the cluster centroids.

Step 3: Initialize the memory of the crows with the initial population.

Step 4: Compute the fitness using equation (1) and evaluate the initial population.

Step 5: While it  $< max\_iter$

a. for  $i = 1:n$

i. Generate a new position by randomly choose one of the crows and follows it to discover the new position.

ii. If the crow does not find anyone following, the crow will access the hiding place of that crow by using the Equation (6).

iii. Else fool the following crow by choosing the random position.

b. End for

c. Check the feasibility of the new positions

d. Evaluate the new position of the crows

e. Update the memory of the crows using the Equation (7).

Step 6: End while

Step 7: obtain the best centroids

In the second phase, the data and best centroids files are uploaded in the Hadoop Distributed File System and run the MapReduce based partitional clustering algorithms with best centroids obtained in the first phase. The pseudocode for the second phase is shown in Algorithm 4.

Algorithm 4: Pseudocode for MapReduce based CSA adopted partitional clustering algorithms

**Algorithm 4.1:** Map Function

Step 1: In the setup function, search and read the centroids from the distributed cache.

Step 2: In the Map function,

a. Input the  $\langle key, values \rangle$ , the key is the by default takes the line offset and value is the line content.

b. Read and construct the instances from values.

c. Initialize  $index = -1$ ,  $min\_distance = MAX\_VALUE$

d. for  $i=0$  to  $centroids.length$

i. In K-Means, Compute the Euclidean distance between the data and

the centroids.

- ii. In K-Modes, frequencies of attributes are utilized to compute the distance.
- iii. In K-Prototypes, Euclidean distance is utilized for numeric data and a frequency-based approach is utilized for categorical data.

```
if dist < min_distance
{
min_distance = dist;
index = i;
}
```

e. end for

Step 3: Output the <key, values>, key is the cluster index and values is the instances.

**Algorithm 4.2:** Reduce Function

Step 1: Input the <key, values> from the mapper function.

Step 2: Initialize, sum = 0, count = 0

Step 3: While(values)

```
{
Collect each instance from values
Sum the different dimensions of instances
Count++
}
```

a. For updating the centroids

- i. In K-Means, Compute the new centroids by dividing the sum of instances by count.
- ii. In K-Modes, frequencies of attributes are computed.
- iii. In K-Prototypes, mean computation is utilized for numeric data and a frequency based approach is utilized for categorical data.

Step 4: end while

Step 5: Output the <key, values>, the key is the cluster number and values is the new centroids.

## 7. EXPERIMENTAL SETUP AND RESULTS

The experiments were performed on Hadoop cluster running with the hadoop version 2.7.4 and Java 1.8. It consists of three machines and each machine has Pentium Core i3 (2.93 GHZ) and 2 GB RAM. The operating system for each machine is Ubuntu 14.04. In the Crow Search algorithm, the values for Flight Length and Awareness Probability are 2 and 0.1 respectively. To evaluate the performance of the proposed Parallel CSAK-Means, Parallel CSAK-Modes and Parallel CSAK-Prototypes clustering algorithms, four datasets for each algorithm are used and these datasets are derived from the UCI Machine Learning Repository (Asuncion, & Newman, 2007). These datasets are scaled up to about  $10^7$  records for each baseline dataset (Banharnsakun 2017). The description of each dataset is shown in Table 1.

### 7.1 Cluster Evaluation Measures

Cluster evaluation is an important task because it evaluates the goodness of clustering solutions. It measures the quality of clusters quantitatively. The cluster evaluation can be performed by using two

major approaches, namely internal and external measures to assess the performance of the clustering algorithms. The internal measures are used to evaluate the results of the clustering algorithm without any prior knowledge of the data objects. The external measures are used to assess the results of the clustering algorithm by comparing the predicted class labels with pre-specified class label information of the data objects. The good quality results obtained from the cluster validation indices specify the effectiveness of the clustering algorithms.

To evaluate the performance of the proposed method, Silhouette, F-Measure, Rand Index and Purity measures are utilized. The Silhouette is an internal measure and F-Measure, Rand Index, Purity are external measures. In addition, the Analysis Of Variance (ANOVA) statistical test is performed to experiment with the significant differences among the clustering algorithms. Likewise, the execution time is computed to prove the efficiency of the proposed Parallel CSAK-Means, Parallel CSAK-Modes and Parallel CSAK-Prototypes clustering algorithms.

**Table 1. Dataset Details**

| K-Means |                  |                   |                |
|---------|------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Dataset | No. of instances | No. of attributes | No. of classes |
| Iris    | 10,000,050       | 4                 | 3              |
| Wine    | 10,000,040       | 13                | 3              |
| CMC     | 10,000,197       | 9                 | 3              |
| Vowel   | 10,000,822       | 3                 | 6              |

### 7.1.1 Silhouette Index

The Silhouette index(Rousseeuw, 1987) is an internal measure that assesses how the data objects belong to their own clusters compared to other clusters. Its value ranges from  $-1$  to  $+1$ , where a high value indicates that the object is well grouped to its own cluster. This measure combines both the cohesion and the separation. It is calculated using Equation (8):

$$Sil(X^i) = \frac{b(X^i) - a(X^i)}{\max\{a(X^i), b(X^i)\}} \quad (8)$$

where  $Sil(X^i)$  is the Silhouette value of the data instance  $X^i$ ,  $a(X^i)$  is the average dissimilarity of  $X^i$  to all the other data instances within the same group and  $b(X^i)$  is the average dissimilarity of  $X^i$  with all the other data instances in different groups.

### 7.1.2 Rand Index

The Rand Index is an external measure for finding the similarity between actual labels and predicted labels (Rand, 1971). This measure has the value between 0 and 1; 0 indicates that the real and predicted data clusters do not match any pair of points and 1 indicates that the groups are precisely the same. The RI is calculated using Equation (9):

$$Rand\ Index = \frac{TP + TN}{TP + TN + FP + FN} \quad (9)$$

The term *TP* means True Positive and it is the count of similar data objects in the same cluster. The term *TN* means True Negative and it is a count of dissimilar data objects in different clusters. The term *FP* means False Positive and it is the count of dissimilar data objects in the same cluster. The term *FN* means False Negative and it is the count of similar data objects in different clusters.

### 7.1.3 F-Measure

F-Measure is an external measure to obtain the accuracy of the clustering results (Van Rijsbergen, 1979). It measures the quality of clusters by finding the harmonic mean of precision and recall. Its value ranges from 0 to 1, where a high value indicates that the object is grouped well to its own cluster. It is computed using Equation (10):

$$FMeasure = 2 * \frac{Precision * Recall}{Precision + Recall} \quad (10)$$

Precision is obtained as the number of correct positive predictions divided by the total number of positive predictions. The best precision is 1, whereas the worst is 0. It is specified in Equation (11):

$$Precision = \frac{TP}{TP + FP} \quad (11)$$

The recall is calculated as the number of correct positive predictions divided by the total number of positives. The best sensitivity is 1 whereas the worst is 0. It is calculated using Equation (12):

$$Recall = \frac{TP}{TP + FN} \quad (12)$$

### 7.1.4 Purity

The Purity measures the homogeneity of the data instances in generated clusters (Ghany, AbdelAziz, Soliman, & Sewisy, 2020). The bigger the purity value the better the quality of the clustering algorithm. The Purity measure is computed using Equation (13)

$$Purity = \frac{1}{n} \times \sum_{i=1}^K \max_i (|O_i \cap G_j|) \quad (13)$$

where  $n$  is the number of data objects in the dataset,  $G$  represents the generated clusters  $G = \{g_1, g_2, \dots, g_K\}$ , and  $L$  represents the original centers  $O = \{o_1, o_2, \dots, o_K\}$ .

### 7.1.5 One-Way Anova

ANOVA is a statistical measure that determines whether there is a significant difference between the performances of clustering algorithms. The significance level  $\alpha$  is used in hypothesis tests to determine the accept or reject the hypothesis. The *p-value* is smaller than the  $\alpha$  value (i) the null hypothesis will be rejected and (ii) conclude that all the values taken for analysis are not equal. It is strong evidence to reject the null hypothesis. The large *p-value* in comparison to  $\alpha$ , (i) the null hypothesis will be accepted and (ii) conclude that all the values taken for analysis are equal. Therefore, the smaller the *p-value* implies the more significant results.

In this study, the silhouette values of clustering algorithms at different iterations are computed and the one-way ANOVA test is applied to those values to analyze the performance of the proposed clustering algorithms. The null hypothesis ( $H_0$ ) means that the performances of all clustering algorithms are equal and the alternative hypothesis ( $H_1$ ) means that the performance of all clustering algorithms is different.

## 7.2 Results and Discussion

Table 2 shows the experimental results of the proposed MapReduce based CSA adopted K-Means clustering algorithm. The silhouette values obtained from various iterations for the Parallel CSAK-Means algorithm show that the proposed clustering algorithm outperforms than Parallel K-Means and Parallel PSOK-Means for all data sets. It is observed that the results of the Silhouette, F-Measure, Rand Index and Purity reveal that the Parallel CSAK-Means are higher than the Parallel K-Means and Parallel PSOK-Means clustering algorithms. The Parallel CSAK-Means takes minimum computation time to obtain the rich quality of clustering solutions.

Table 2. Performance analysis of proposed Parallel CSAK-Means algorithm

| Dataset | Measure         | Parallel K-Means | Parallel PSOK-Means | Parallel CSAK-Means |
|---------|-----------------|------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Iris    | Silhouette      | 0.6565           | 0.6902              | 0.7346              |
|         | Rand Index      | 0.6756           | 0.7956              | 0.9600              |
|         | F-Measure       | 0.6704           | 0.7799              | 0.9414              |
|         | Purity          | 0.8800           | 0.9000              | 0.9400              |
|         | Comp.Time(secs) | 17434            | 9348                | 3148                |
| Wine    | Silhouette      | 0.6945           | 0.7323              | 0.7646              |
|         | Rand Index      | 0.6667           | 0.6816              | 0.8315              |
|         | F-Measure       | 0.4837           | 0.5125              | 0.7603              |
|         | Purity          | 0.7078           | 0.7134              | 0.7415              |
|         | Comp.Time(secs) | 7021             | 5448                | 2538                |
| CMC     | Silhouette      | 0.5792           | 0.6399              | 0.6426              |
|         | Rand Index      | 0.5547           | 0.5718              | 0.6004              |
|         | F-Measure       | 0.2926           | 0.3271              | 0.3952              |
|         | Purity          | 0.3971           | 0.4005              | 0.4297              |
|         | Comp.Time(secs) | 11483            | 3269                | 2818                |
| Vowel   | Silhouette      | 0.5358           | 0.5532              | 0.5671              |
|         | Rand Index      | 0.6919           | 0.7030              | 0.7405              |
|         | F-Measure       | 0.5892           | 0.6240              | 0.6926              |
|         | Purity          | 0.4592           | 0.4626              | 0.4730              |
|         | Comp.Time(secs) | 16059            | 3550                | 1773                |

To examine the implementation of the Parallel CSAK-Means algorithm, the obtained experimental results are compared with existing techniques such as Parallel K-Means (PKMeans), Parallel K-PSO, MapReduce based Artificial Bee Colony (MR-ABC), and MapReduce based Enhanced Grey Wolf Optimizer (MR-EGWO), hybrid Whale Optimization and Tabu Search Algorithm (WOATS) algorithms. Table 3 shows the comparison of proposed MapReduce based CSA adopted K-Means clustering algorithm with the existing parallel implementation of clustering algorithms. The proposed parallel CSAK-Means outperforms than all other methods under comparison while the parallel K-means have given the least performance among all the considered methods. From this, it can be concluded that the proposed parallel CSAK-Means can be used for the clustering of large datasets efficiently.

**Table 3. Comparative analysis of proposed Parallel CSAK-Means with existing algorithms**

| Author                | Techniques                     | Dataset                                                                    | Results                                                                                    |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Zhao et al (2009)     | PKMeans                        | Iris<br>Wine<br>CMC<br>Vowel                                               | FMeasure<br>0.667<br>0.298<br>0.482<br>0.586                                               |
| Wang et al (2012)     | Parallel K-PSO                 | Iris<br>Wine<br>CMC<br>Vowel                                               | FMeasure<br>0.785<br>0.324<br>0.517<br>0.627                                               |
| Banhansakun (2017)    | MR-ABC                         | Iris<br>Wine<br>CMC<br>Vowel                                               | FMeasure<br>0.842<br>0.387<br>0.718<br>0.643                                               |
| Tripathi et al (2018) | MR-EGWO                        | Iris<br>Wine<br>CMC<br>Vowel                                               | FMeasure<br>0.846<br>0.391<br>0.733<br>0.635                                               |
| Ghany et al. (2019)   | WOATS                          | Magic<br>Electricity<br>Poker<br>CoverType                                 | Purity<br>0.75<br>0.68<br>0.67<br>0.72                                                     |
| Proposed              | <b>Parallel<br/>CSAK-Means</b> | Iris<br>Wine<br>CMC<br>Vowel<br>Magic<br>Electricity<br>Poker<br>CoverType | FMeasure<br>0.9414<br>0.3952<br>0.7603<br>0.6926<br>Purity<br>0.82<br>0.70<br>0.72<br>0.75 |

The Silhouette, F-Measure, Purity, Rand Index and Computation time of Parallel CSAK-Modes clustering algorithm are shown in Table 4. The average silhouette values obtained from various iterations for the Parallel CSAK-Modes algorithm show that the proposed clustering algorithm outperforms than Parallel K-Modes and Parallel PSOK-Modes for all data sets. Likewise, the Parallel CSAK-Modes takes minimum computation time to obtain the rich quality of clustering solutions. It is observed from the above results, the overall performance of Parallel CSAK-Modes provides high quality clusters in minimum computational time.

Table 5 shows the comparison of proposed MapReduce based CSA adopted K-Modes clustering algorithm with the existing clustering algorithms. The existing clustering algorithms consider for comparative analysis includes Artificial Bee Colony based K-Modes (ABC-K-Modes) and *Automatic Fuzzy Clustering Using Non-Dominated Sorting Particle Swarm Optimization Algorithm for Categorical Data* (AFC-NSPSO) algorithms. The proposed parallel CSAK-Modes algorithm outperforms than all other methods under comparison while the Parallel CSAK-Modes have given

**Table 4. Performance analysis of proposed Parallel CSAK-Modes algorithm**

| Dataset              | Measure         | Parallel K-Modes | Parallel PSOK-Modes | Parallel CSAK-Modes |
|----------------------|-----------------|------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Soybean              | Silhouette      | 0.4282           | 0.4308              | 0.4752              |
|                      | Rand Index      | 1.0000           | 1.0000              | 1.0000              |
|                      | F-Measure       | 1.0000           | 1.0000              | 1.0000              |
|                      | Purity          | 1.0000           | 1.0000              | 1.0000              |
|                      | Comp.Time(secs) | 8129             | 5023                | 2087                |
| Mushroom             | Silhouette      | 0.3640           | 0.3734              | 0.3827              |
|                      | Rand Index      | 0.7707           | 0.8560              | 0.8929              |
|                      | F-Measure       | 0.7931           | 0.8670              | 0.9004              |
|                      | Purity          | 0.7656           | 0.8099              | 0.8577              |
|                      | Comp.Time(secs) | 20306            | 6474                | 5121                |
| Congressional Voting | Silhouette      | 0.5149           | 0.5457              | 0.5609              |
|                      | Rand Index      | 0.7793           | 0.8322              | 0.8759              |
|                      | F-Measure       | 0.8019           | 0.8420              | 0.8832              |
|                      | Purity          | 0.8459           | 0.8643              | 0.8643              |
|                      | Comp.Time(secs) | 9367             | 4547                | 2261                |
| Car Evaluation       | Silhouette      | 0.0675           | 0.0724              | 0.0821              |
|                      | Rand Index      | 0.7092           | 0.7295              | 0.7610              |
|                      | F-Measure       | 0.4890           | 0.5818              | 0.5909              |
|                      | Purity          | 0.3115           | 0.3460              | 0.3712              |
|                      | Comp.Time(secs) | 8654             | 4078                | 2204                |

the highest performance among all the considered methods. From this, it can be concluded that the proposed parallel CSAK-Modes can be used for the clustering of large datasets efficiently.

The results of the Silhouette, Rand Index, F-Measure, Purity and Computation Time of proposed Parallel CSAK-Prototypes clustering algorithm are shown in Table 6. The Silhouette values obtained from various iterations for the Parallel CSAK-Prototypes algorithm outperforms Parallel K-Prototypes and Parallel PSOK-Prototypes for all data sets. It is observed that the results of Rand Index, F-Measure and Purity reveal that the Parallel CSAK-Prototypes are higher than the Parallel K-Prototypes and Parallel PSOK-Prototypes clustering algorithms. The overall performance of Parallel CSAK-Prototypes provides high quality of clusters. Likewise, the time taken for computation is smaller than Parallel K-Prototypes and Parallel PSOK-Prototypes clustering algorithms.

Table 7 shows the comparative analysis of proposed Parallel CSAK-Prototypes clustering algorithm with existing clustering algorithms. The results are compared with MapReduce based K-Prototypes (MR-KP), Lion Optimization based K-Prototypes algorithm and Artificial Bee Colony based K-Prototypes clustering algorithm (ABC-K-Modes). It is observed that the results reveal that the Parallel CSAK-Prototypes provides high quality of clustering solutions in comparison to existing clustering algorithms.

In order to show the statistically significant differences between these clustering algorithms, the statistical one-way ANOVA test is performed on Silhouette values. Table 7 shows the results of ANOVA with the significance level of 5%. For the 5% significance level, the p-value for all datasets is less than 0.05 and this implies that the alternate hypothesis is accepted. So that the proposed Parallel version of CSA adopted K-Means, K-Modes and K-Prototypes clustering algorithms have statistically significant differences.

The execution time of proposed clustering algorithms in three Hadoop nodes are presented in Figures 1 to 3. These algorithms break the input data into smaller chunks such that they fit into the main memory of the computing nodes. The proposed algorithms work efficiently for default block size. These algorithms are run on large scale data up to ten lakhs. In this, the size of dataset is kept constant and increases the number of nodes and moreover, the proposed clustering algorithms are scaled well with these large datasets and also have the optimized initial centroids.

**Table 5. Comparative analysis of proposed Parallel CSAK-Modes with existing algorithms**

| Author             | Techniques          | Dataset       | Measure         |                   |
|--------------------|---------------------|---------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| Ji et al (2015)    | ABC-K-Modes         | Zoo           | <i>Accuracy</i> | <i>Rand Index</i> |
|                    |                     | Breast Cancer | 0.9307          | 0.9766            |
|                    |                     | Soybean       | 0.9399          | 0.8869            |
|                    |                     | Lung Cancer   | 1.0000          | 1.0000            |
|                    |                     | Mushroom      | 0.6563          | 0.6530            |
|                    |                     | Dermatology   | 0.8964          | 0.8114            |
|                    |                     |               | 0.8361          | 0.9073            |
| Nguyen & Kuo(2019) | AFC-NSPSO           | Breast Cancer | <i>Purity</i>   |                   |
|                    |                     | Soybean       | 0.981±0.022     |                   |
|                    |                     | Mushroom      | 0.987±0.034     |                   |
|                    |                     | Vote          | 0.898±0.045     |                   |
|                    |                     | Zoo           | 0.958±0.037     |                   |
|                    |                     | Tic-tac-toe   | 0.953±0.021     |                   |
|                    |                     | Lymphography  | 0.652±0.043     |                   |
|                    |                     | Splice        | 0.622±0.056     |                   |
|                    |                     | 0.737±0.028   |                 |                   |
| Proposed           | Parallel CSAK-Modes | Zoo           | <i>Accuracy</i> | <i>Rand Index</i> |
|                    |                     | Breast Cancer | 0.9561          | 0.9861            |
|                    |                     | Soybean       | 0.9583          | 0.9053            |
|                    |                     | Lung Cancer   | 1.0000          | 1.0000            |
|                    |                     | Mushroom      | 0.6875          | 0.6943            |
|                    |                     | Dermatology   | 0.8577          | 0.8929            |
|                    |                     |               | 0.8512          | 0.9365            |
|                    |                     | Breast Cancer | <i>Purity</i>   |                   |
|                    |                     | Soybean       | 0.9854          |                   |
|                    |                     | Mushroom      | 1.0000          |                   |
|                    |                     | Vote          | 0.8577          |                   |
|                    |                     | Zoo           | 0.8643          |                   |
|                    |                     | Tic-tac-toe   | 0.9561          |                   |
|                    |                     | Lymphography  | 0.6600          |                   |
|                    |                     | Splice        | 0.6312          |                   |
|                    |                     | 0.7564        |                 |                   |

## 8. CONCLUSION

An efficient parallel implementation of Crow Search based K-Means, K-Modes and K-Prototypes clustering algorithms are proposed in this work. These algorithms group the numeric, categorical and mixing of numeric and categorical data respectively. The Parallel CSAK-Means efficiently handles the very large scale numeric data and similarly, provides better clusters than its Parallel K-Means and Parallel PSOK-Means clustering algorithms. The Parallel CSAK-Modes algorithm is capable of handling the large scale categorical data and outperforms the Parallel K-Modes and Parallel PSOK-Modes clustering algorithms. The Parallel CSAK-Prototypes efficiently handle the large scale mixed numeric and categorical data and similarly, provides better clusters than the Parallel K-Prototypes and Parallel PSOK-Prototypes clustering algorithms. These proposed clustering algorithms are compared with existing clustering algorithms and the results are comparatively outperforms than the existing algorithms. These proposed clustering algorithms takes fewer computational time to achieve the high quality of clusters.

Our proposed clustering algorithms are partition based clustering algorithms that handle the very large scale numeric, categorical and mixing of these data by distributing the data between the clusters of commodity hardware. Similarly, these proposed algorithms choose the optimal initial centroids

**Table 6. Performance analysis of proposed Parallel CSAK-Prototypes algorithm**

| Dataset         | Measure         | Parallel K-Prototypes | Parallel PSOK-Prototypes | Parallel CSAK-Prototypes |
|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Heart           | Silhouette      | 0.5214                | 0.5412                   | 0.5804                   |
|                 | Rand Index      | 0.6111                | 0.6370                   | 0.6519                   |
|                 | F-Measure       | 0.6123                | 0.6298                   | 0.6426                   |
|                 | Purity          | 0.6296                | 0.6704                   | 0.6925                   |
|                 | Comp.Time(secs) | 5795                  | 2859                     | 2597                     |
| Hepatitis       | Silhouette      | 0.5398                | 0.5456                   | 0.5936                   |
|                 | Rand Index      | 0.6387                | 0.7290                   | 0.7484                   |
|                 | F-Measure       | 0.6672                | 0.7311                   | 0.7456                   |
|                 | Purity          | 0.6839                | 0.7097                   | 0.7161                   |
|                 | Comp.Time(secs) | 8490                  | 6381                     | 1408                     |
| German Credit   | Silhouette      | 0.6106                | 0.6312                   | 0.6543                   |
|                 | Rand Index      | 0.5990                | 0.6330                   | 0.6960                   |
|                 | F-Measure       | 0.5502                | 0.6674                   | 0.6921                   |
|                 | Purity          | 0.6513                | 0.6690                   | 0.6710                   |
|                 | Comp.Time(secs) | 5312                  | 3122                     | 1677                     |
| Credit Approval | Silhouette      | 0.6362                | 0.6514                   | 0.6870                   |
|                 | Rand Index      | 0.6391                | 0.6623                   | 0.6855                   |
|                 | F-Measure       | 0.6398                | 0.6677                   | 0.6785                   |
|                 | Purity          | 0.6783                | 0.6043                   | 0.6377                   |
|                 | Comp.Time(secs) | 7110                  | 1751                     | 1531                     |

**Table 7. Comparative analysis of proposed Parallel CSAK-Prototypes with existing algorithms**

| Author                                 | Techniques                                               | Dataset                     | Measure           |                   | Proposed Parallel CSAK-Prototypes |                   |
|----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------|
| HajKacem et al (2015)                  | MR-KP                                                    | Chess<br>CoverType<br>KDD1M | <b>Purity</b>     |                   | <b>Purity</b>                     |                   |
|                                        |                                                          |                             | 0.53              |                   | 0.55                              |                   |
|                                        |                                                          |                             | 0.59              |                   | 0.63                              |                   |
|                                        |                                                          |                             | 0.66              |                   | 0.69                              |                   |
| Nithya, G. S., & Prabha, K. A. (2019). | Lion Optimization based K-Prototype Clustering Algorithm | Australian Credit           | <b>Rand Index</b> |                   | <b>Rand Index</b>                 |                   |
|                                        |                                                          | Approval                    | 0.62              |                   | 0.6377                            |                   |
|                                        |                                                          | German Credit               | 0.57              |                   | 0.6960                            |                   |
|                                        |                                                          | Hepatitis                   | 0.74              |                   | 0.7484                            |                   |
|                                        |                                                          | Post Operative Patient      | 0.47              |                   | 0.5630                            |                   |
| Albalawi et al, (2019)                 | ABC k-prototypes                                         | Dermatology                 | <b>Accuracy</b>   | <b>Rand Index</b> | <b>Accuracy</b>                   | <b>Rand Index</b> |
|                                        |                                                          | Zoo                         | 0.7288            | 0.8169            | 0.7327                            | 0.8470            |
|                                        |                                                          | Sponge                      | 0.8311            | 0.8629            | 0.8611                            | 0.8911            |
|                                        |                                                          | Coverttype                  | 0.6289            | 0.8459            | 0.6570                            | 0.8932            |
|                                        |                                                          | Adult                       | 0.4953            | 0.5889            | 0.5129                            | 0.6025            |
|                                        |                                                          |                             | 0.7591            | 0.5008            | 0.8100                            | 0.6135            |
| Jinchao Ji et al (2020)                | CCS-K-Prototypes                                         | Zoo                         | <b>Accuracy</b>   | <b>Rand Index</b> | <b>Accuracy</b>                   | <b>Rand Index</b> |
|                                        |                                                          | Heart disease1              | 0.888             | 0.901             | 0.9000                            | 0.9201            |
|                                        |                                                          | Heart disease2              | 0.648             | 0.680             | 0.6925                            | 0.6519            |
|                                        |                                                          | Credit Approval             | 0.812             | 0.694             | 0.8705                            | 0.7165            |
|                                        |                                                          | Soybean                     | 0.796             | 0.674             | 0.6377                            | 0.6855            |
|                                        |                                                          | Breast Cancer               | 0.989             | 0.988             | 1.0000                            | 1.0000            |
|                                        |                                                          |                             | 0.958             | 0.919             | 0.9755                            | 0.9345            |

Table 8. Results of one-way ANOVA statistical test for the proposed clustering algorithms

| Parallel CSAK-Means |         | Parallel CSAK-Modes  |         | Parallel CSAK-Prototypes |         |
|---------------------|---------|----------------------|---------|--------------------------|---------|
| Dataset             | p-value | Dataset              | p-value | Dataset                  | p-value |
| Iris                | 0.0025  | Soybean              | 0.0191  | Heart                    | 0.0411  |
| Wine                | 0.0472  | Mushroom             | 0.0303  | Hepatitis                | 0.0490  |
| CMC                 | 0.0495  | Congressional Voting | 0.0424  | German Credit            | 0.0420  |
| Vowel               | 0.0178  | Car Evaluation       | 0.0397  | Credit Approval          | 0.0273  |

Figure 1. The execution time of Iris, Wine, CMC and Vowel datasets with 3 Hadoop cluster nodes

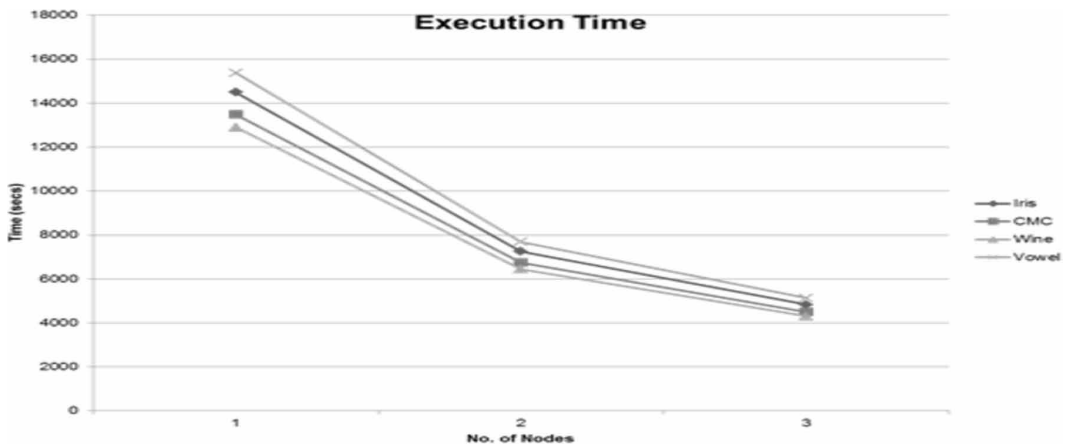


Figure 2. The execution time of Soybean, Mushroom, Congressional Voting and Car Evaluation datasets with 3 Hadoop cluster nodes

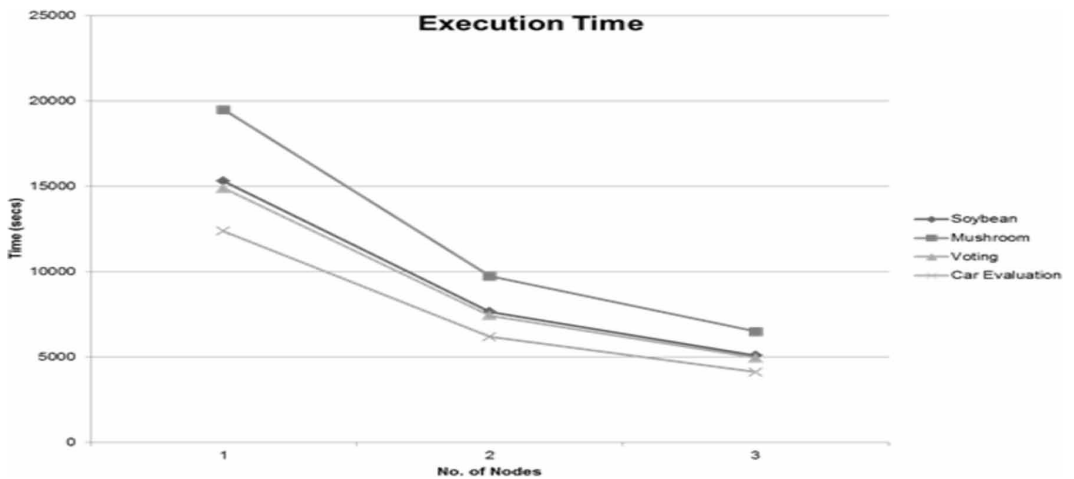
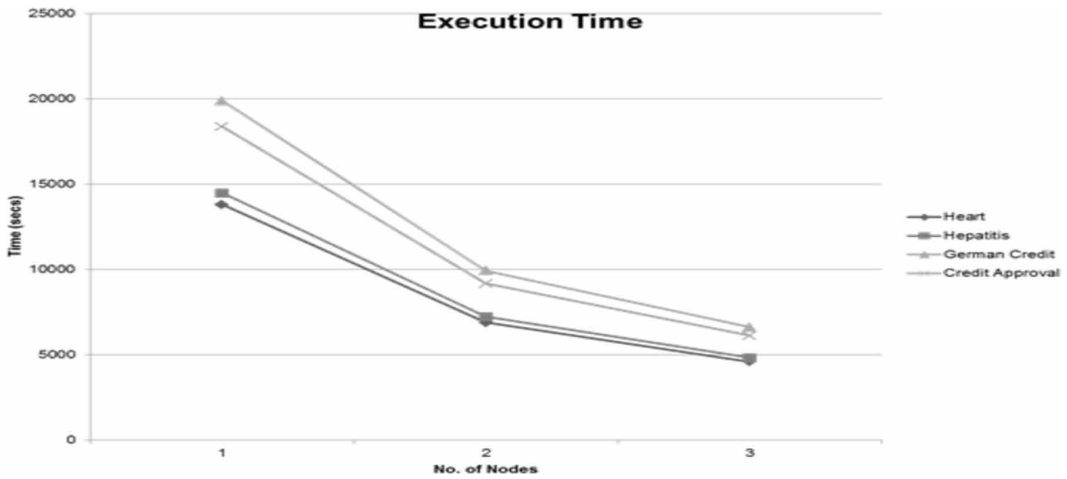


Figure 3. The execution time of Heart, Hepatitis, Credit Approval and German Credit datasets with 3 Hadoop cluster nodes



using Crow Search optimization that exempted from the local optima and also minimize the objective function values. These models can be utilized to create a real time applications.

Our proposed clustering algorithms are experimented only with nearly ten lakhs data objects. The MapReduce based Crow Search with the objective function of K-Means, K-Modes and K-Prototypes may handle the Bigdata more efficiently.

The proposed model is an initial stage for handling very large scale data in a Hadoop MapReduce framework. In future, this model can be implemented in a cloud environment with Bigdata. Similarly, this model is tested with synthetic data sets that are derived from the benchmark datasets and the number of nodes is limited to three and in future, it can be extended to more number of nodes and utilized for real time environment.

In future, the recent metaheuristic optimization algorithms may be substituted in the place of Crow Search Algorithm and its efficiency and effectiveness can be compared with this. Additionally, any of the techniques for finding the number of clusters in dataset can be incorporated with this model.

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