



Comparison of Clustering Algorithms for Statistical Features of Vibration Data Sets

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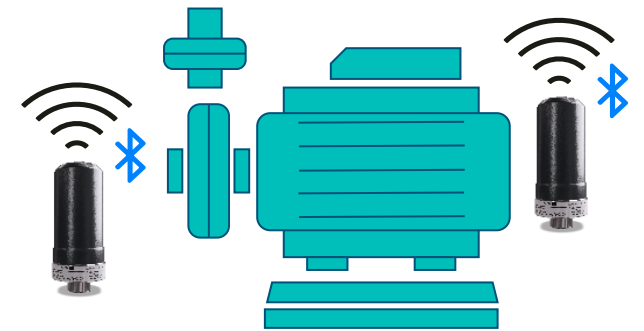
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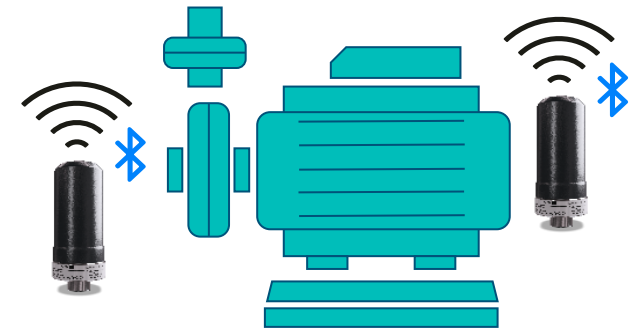
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- ii) a stand-alone method when **dealing with missing labels**.



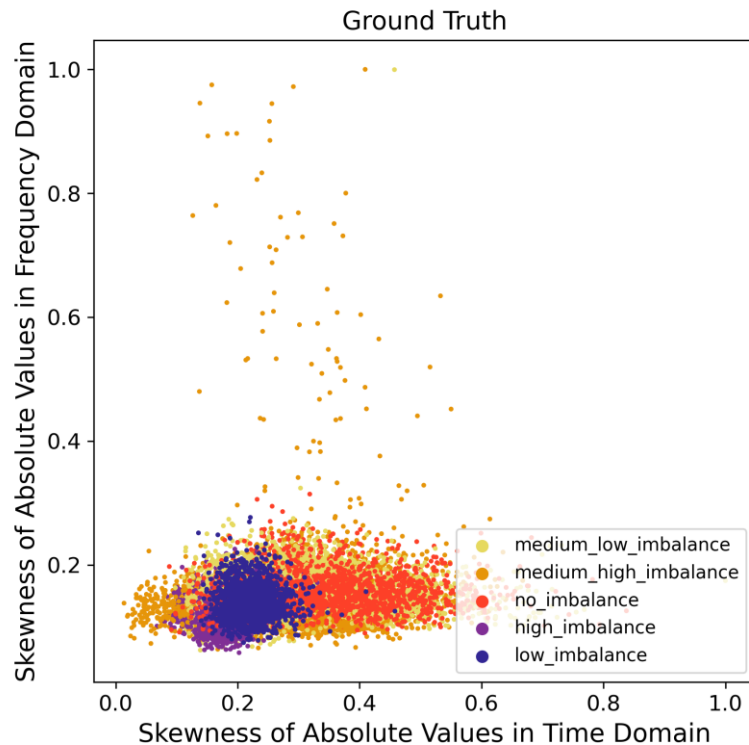
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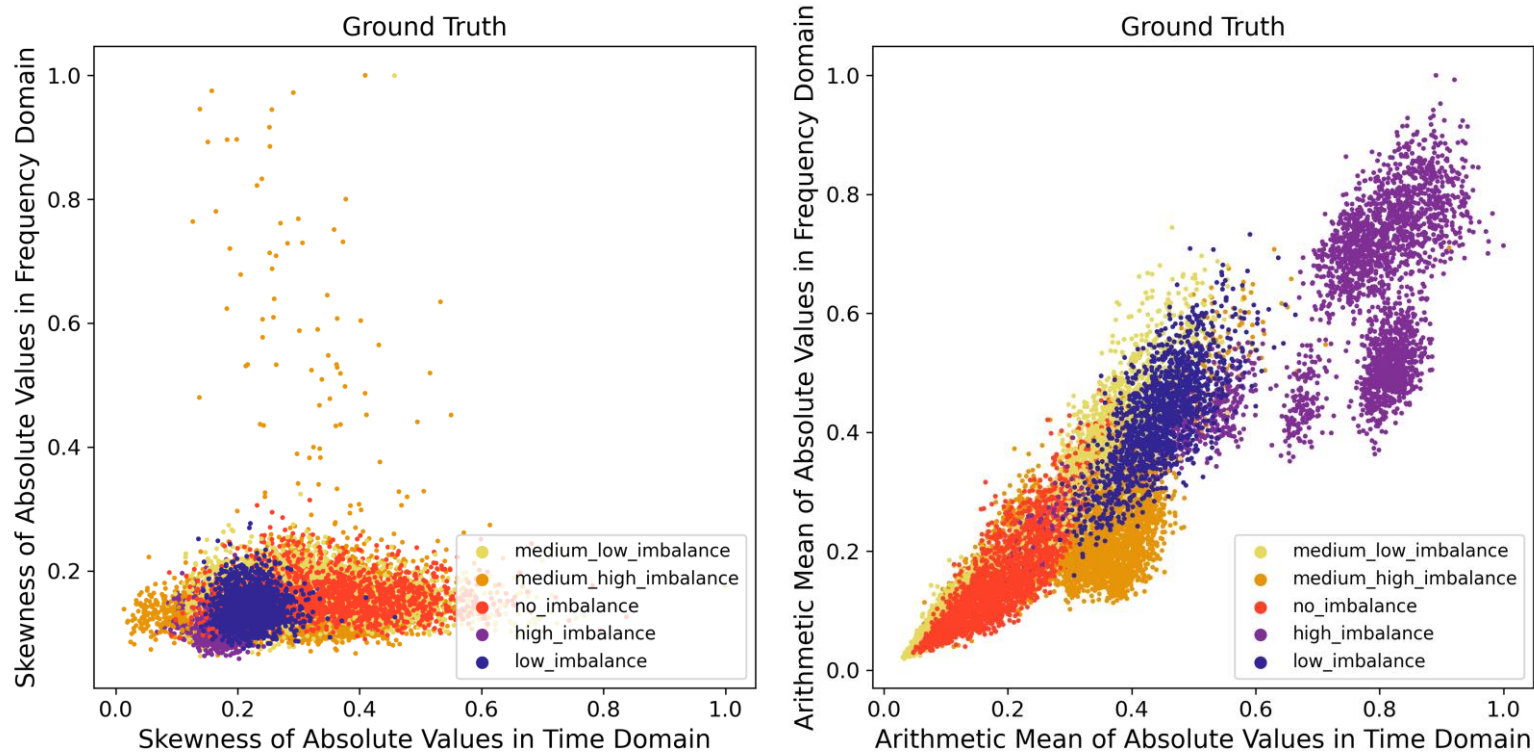
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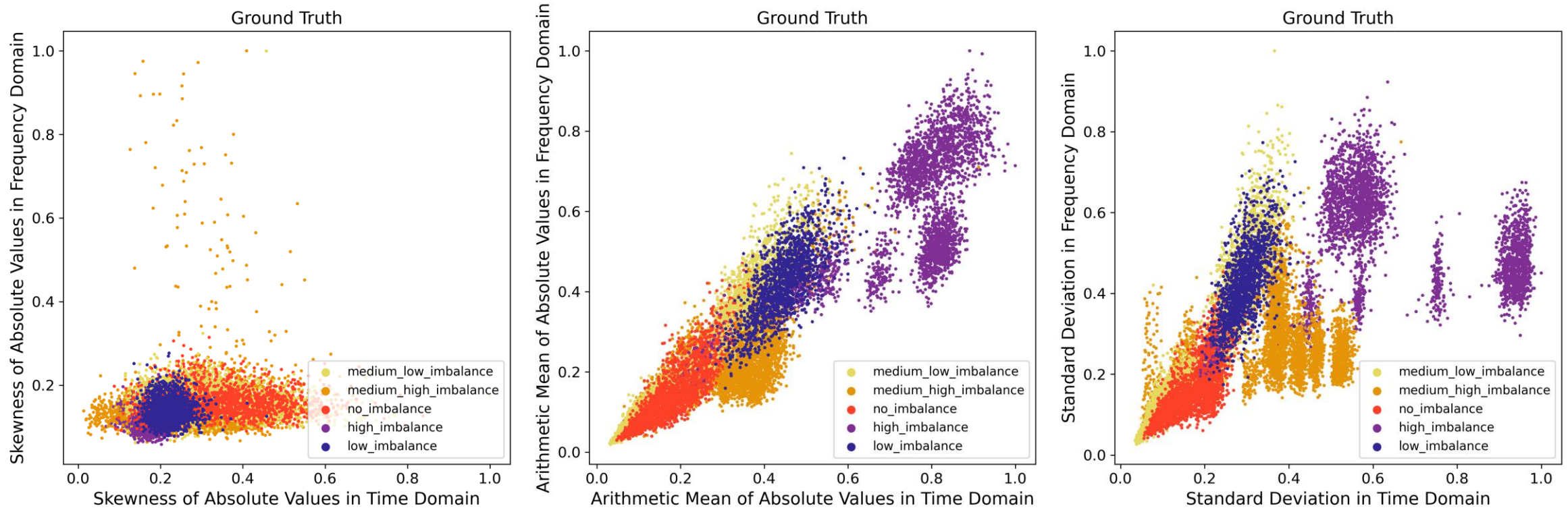
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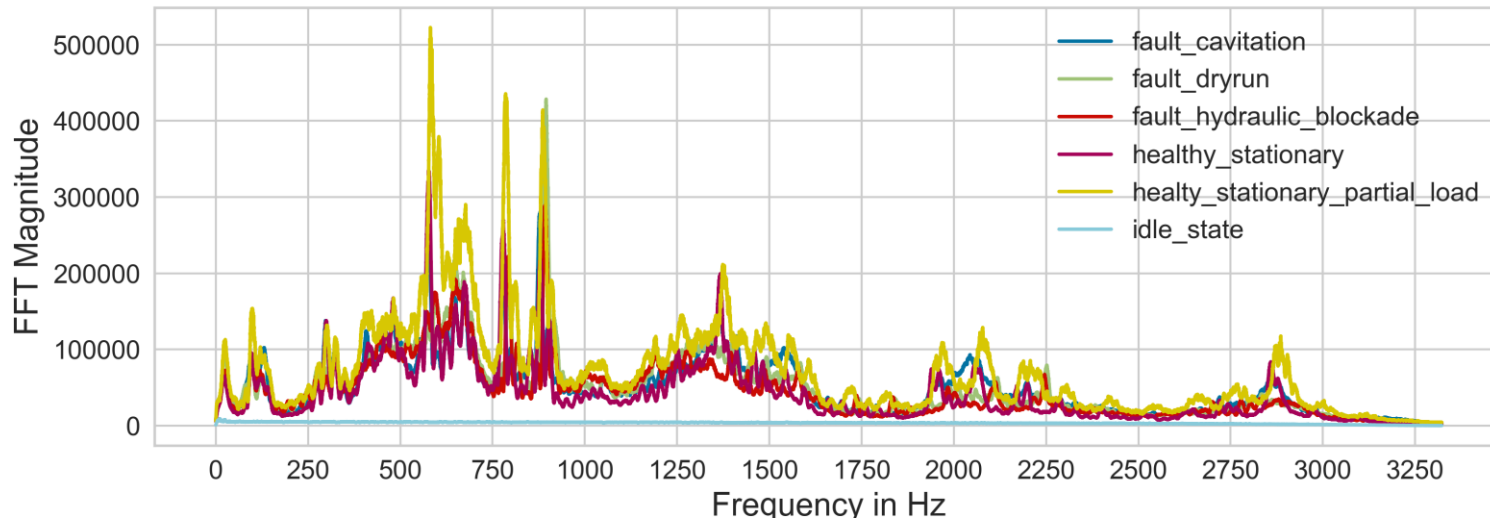
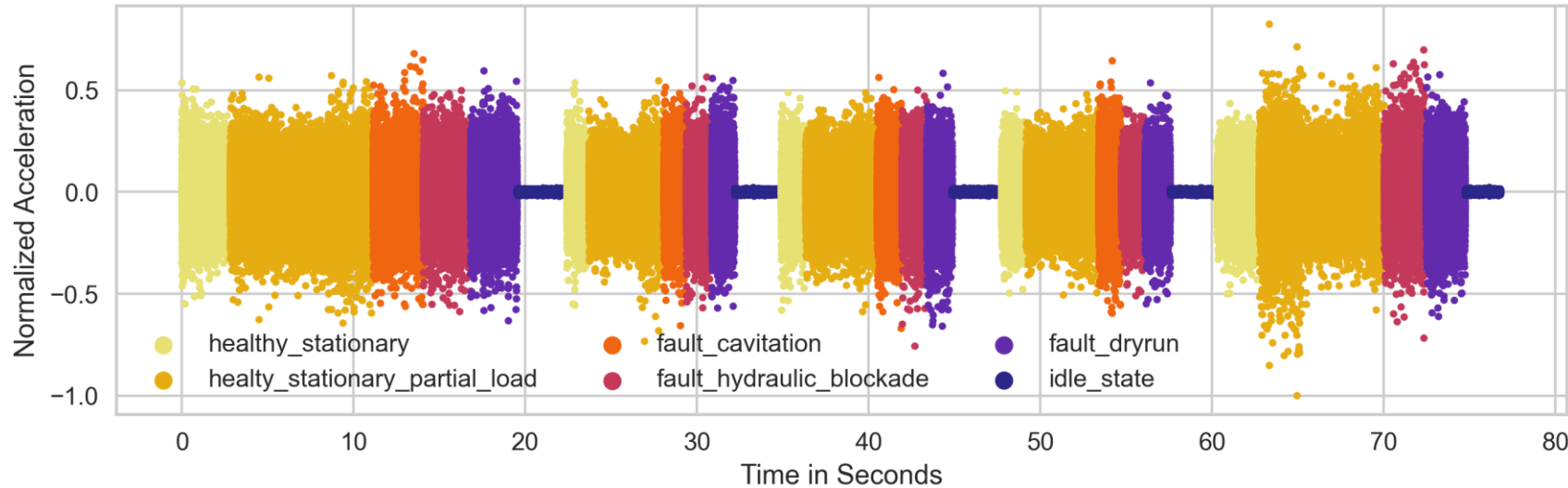
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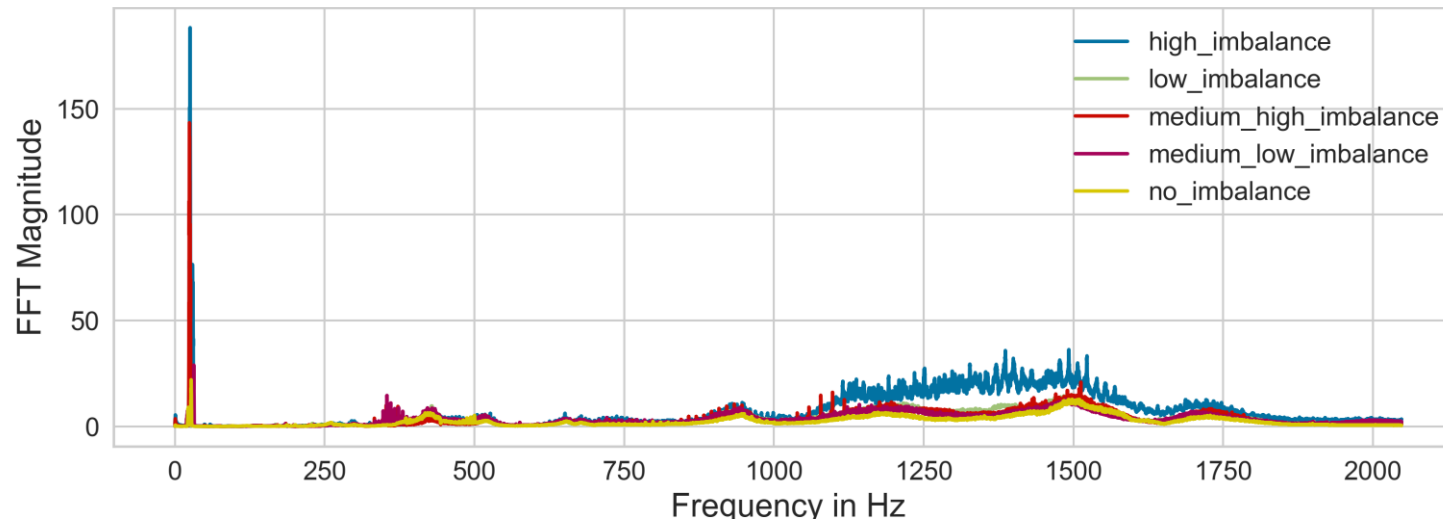
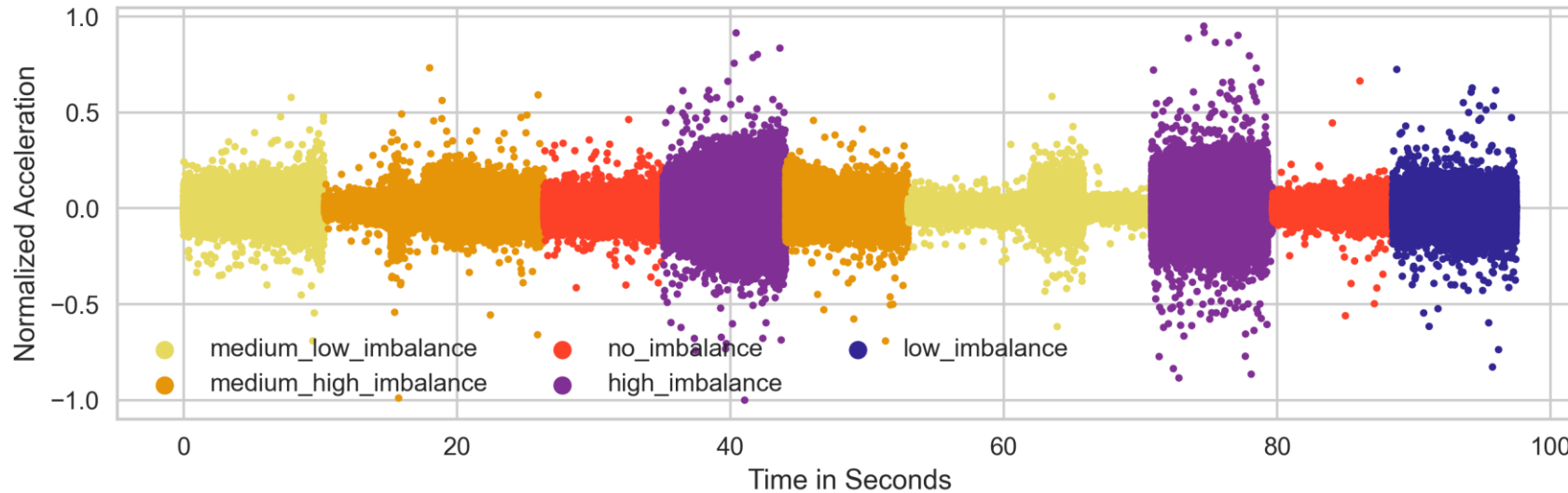
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Data Set 1 in time and frequency domain.

- i) Acquired by Siemens for development of anomaly detection and classification algorithms.
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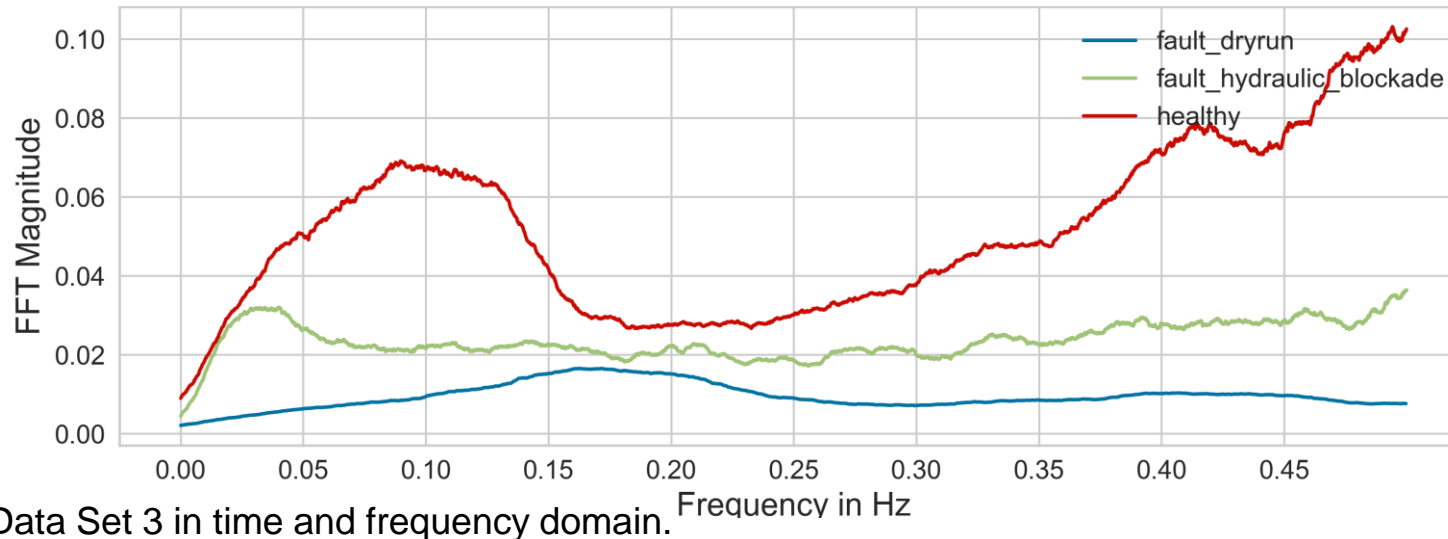
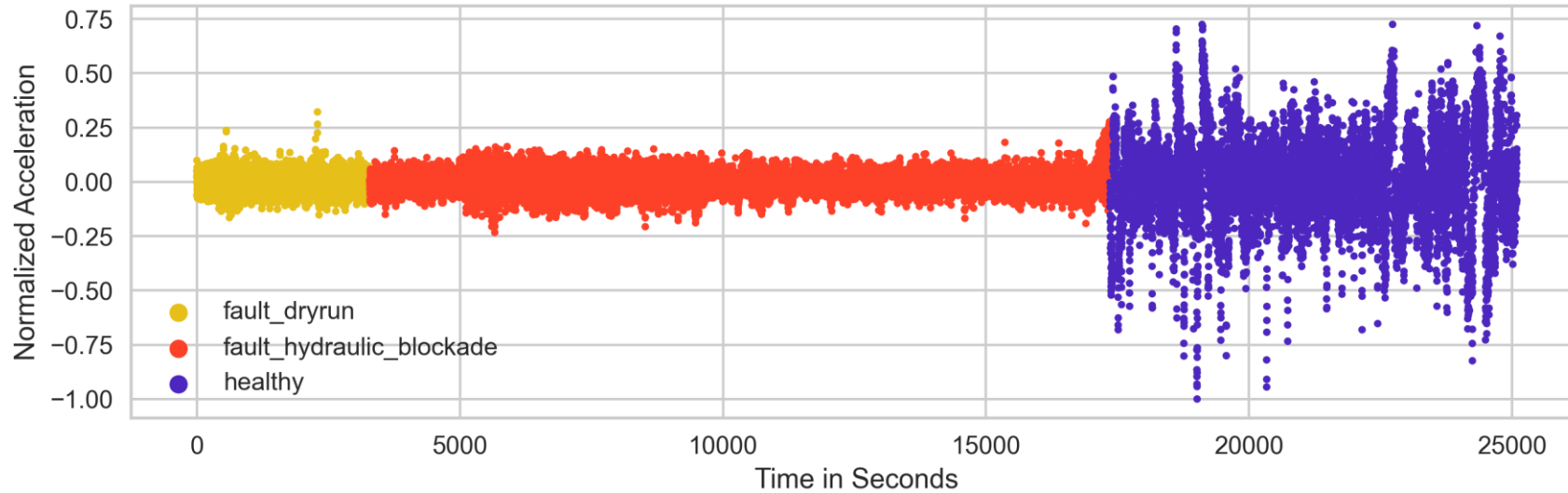
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- i) Open-source, part of a publication on the development and evaluation of algorithms for imbalance detection
- ii) Captured using **imbalanced rotating shafts.**

Data Set 3



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- i) Skoltech Anomaly Benchmark (SKAB), an open-source data set designed for evaluating anomaly detection algorithms.
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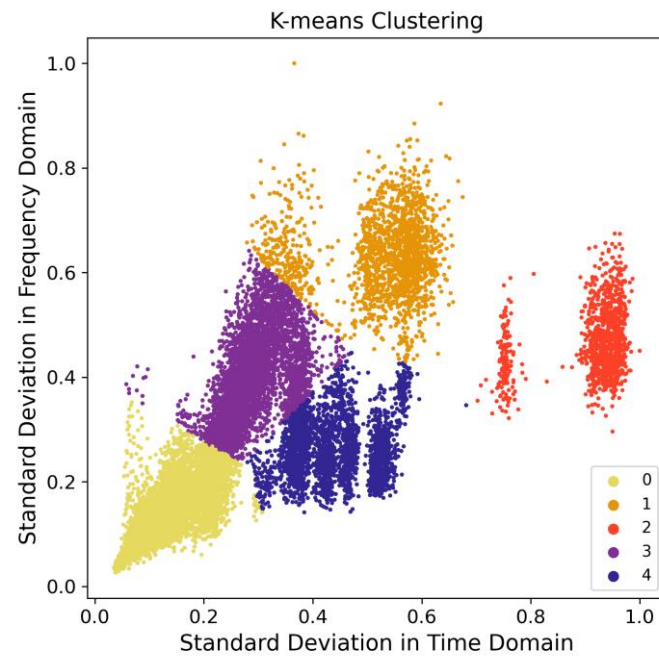
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We used the following features.

- i) Arithmetic mean of absolute values (**Abs Mean**)
- ii) Median of absolute values (**Abs Median**)
- iii) Standard deviation (**Std**)
- iv) Interquartile range (**IQR**)
- v) Skewness of absolute values (**Abs Skew**)
- vi) Kurtosis of absolute values (**Abs Kurt**)

Clustering Algorithms

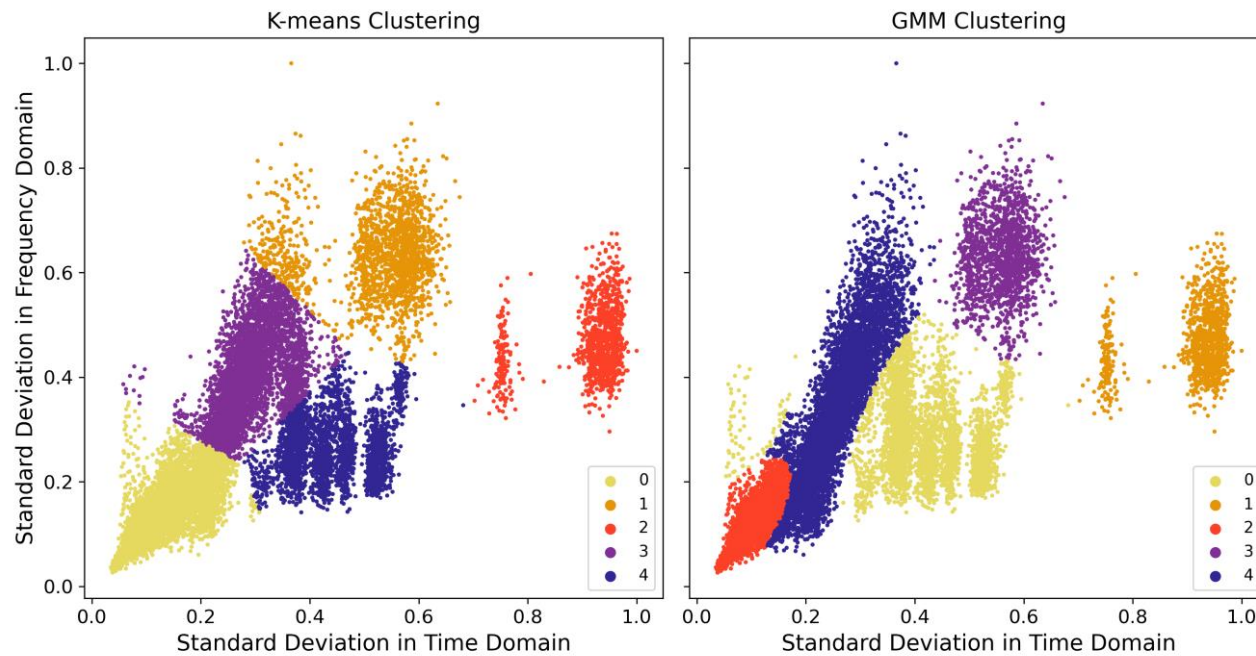
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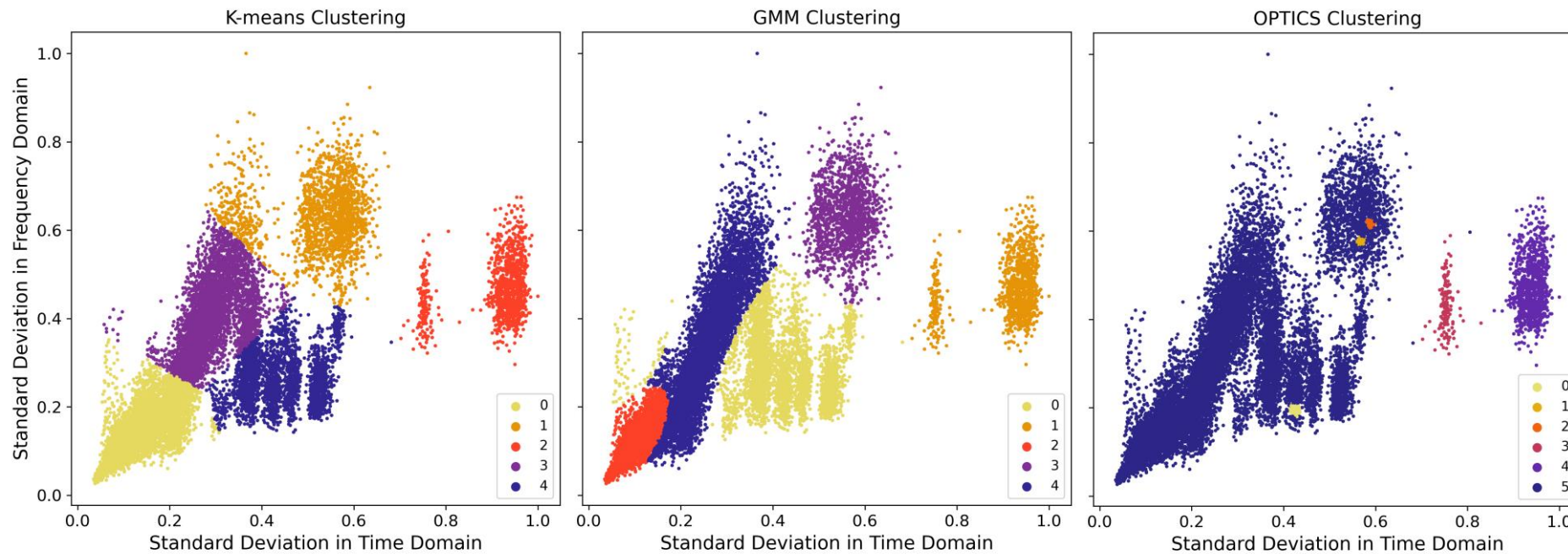
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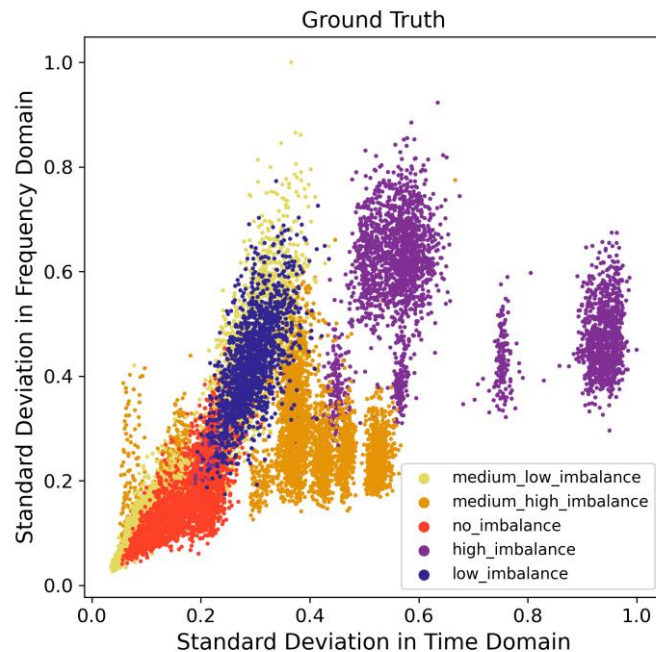


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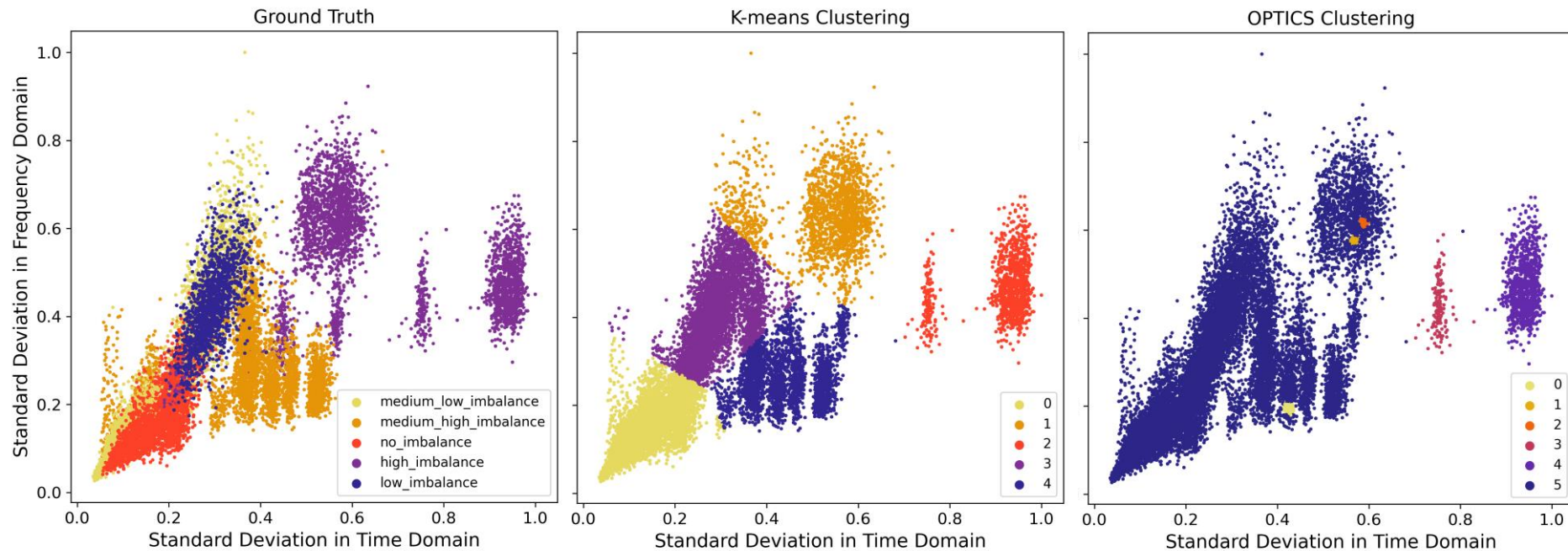


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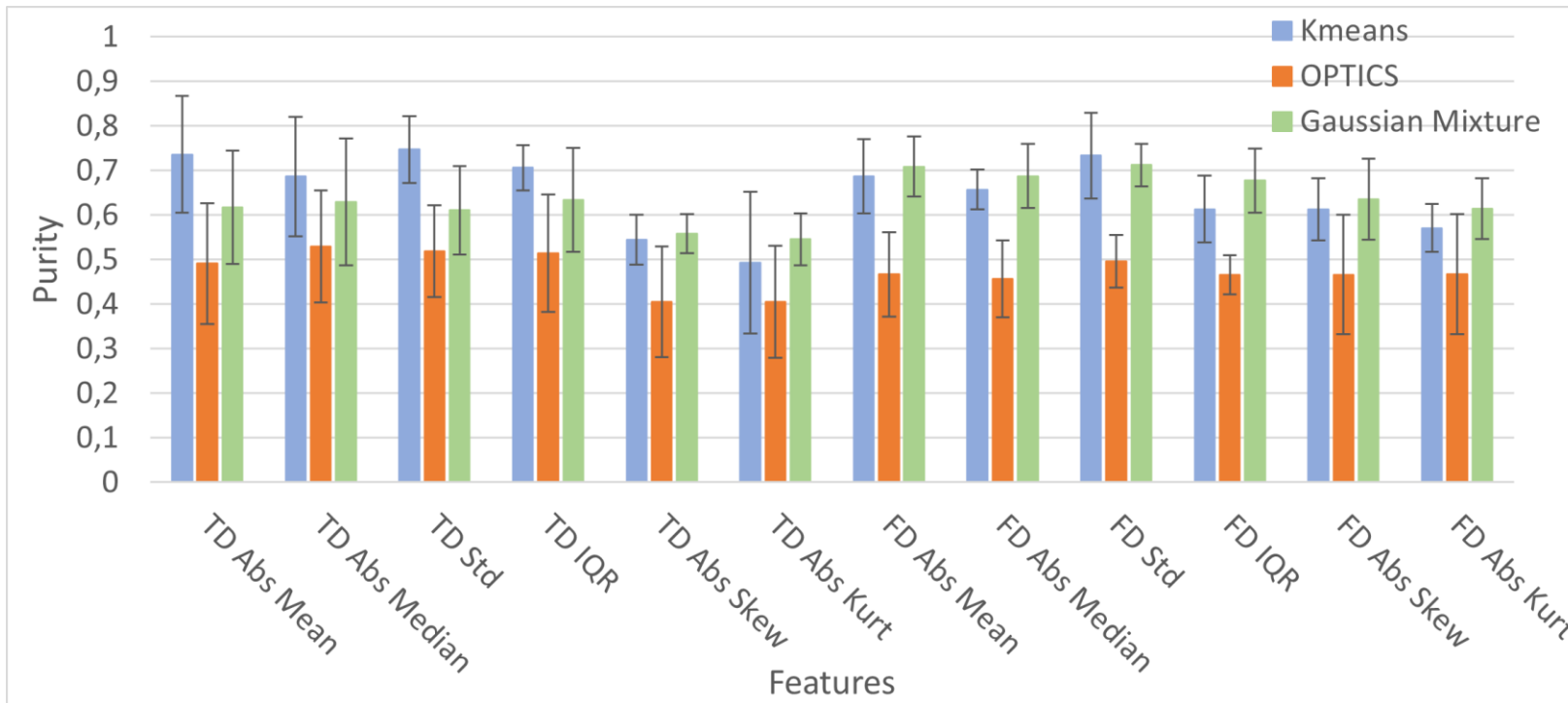
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- i) K-means performed best.
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- iii) **Lower statistical moments performed better than higher moments.**



Average purity per feature for different algorithms.

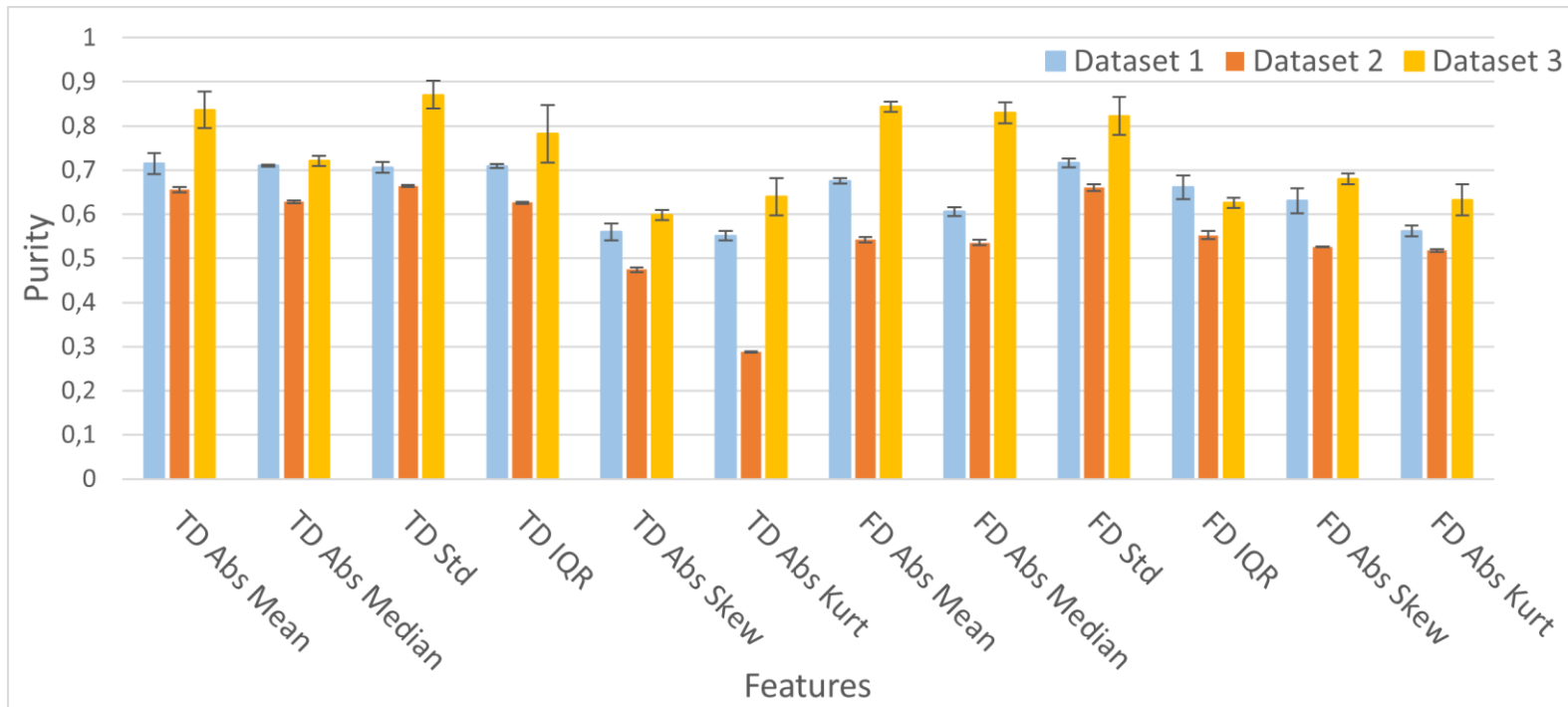
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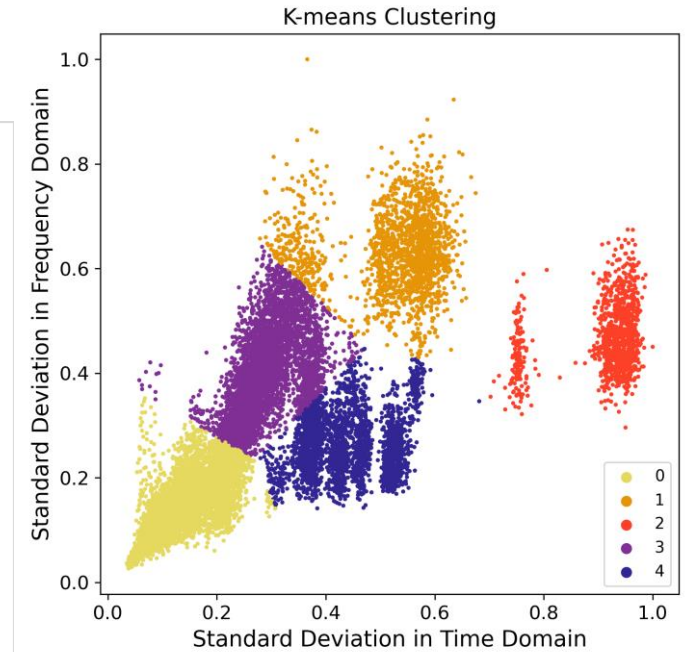
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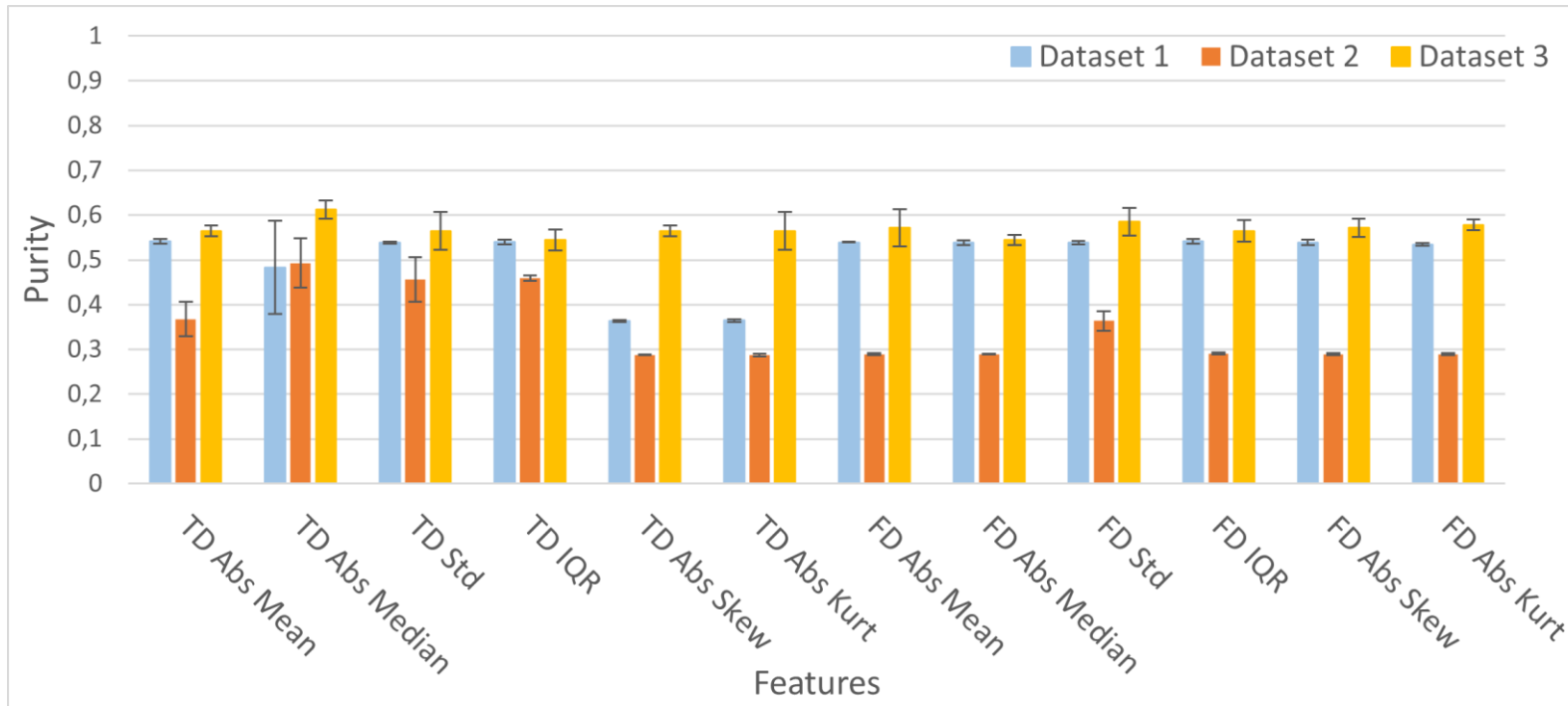


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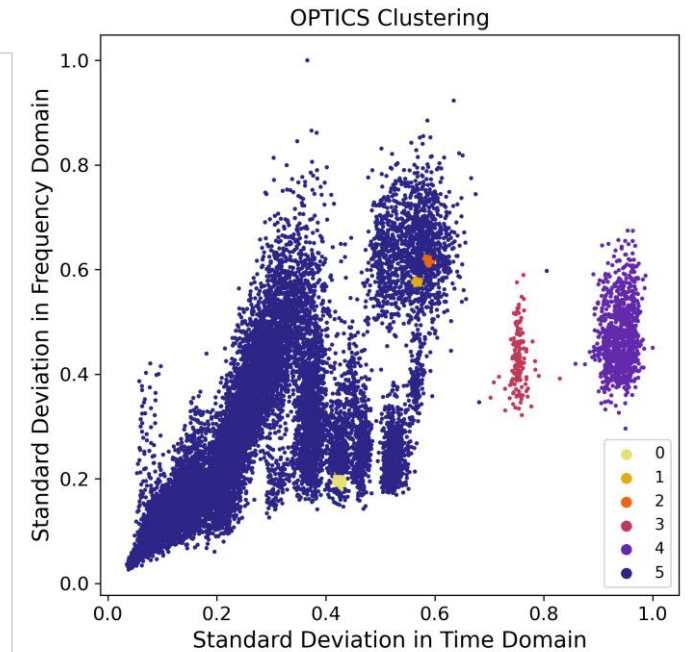
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- i) **OPTICS performed far worse than the other algorithms.**
- ii) Could be a result of high variance and low class separability in industrial data.



OPTICS clustering purity per feature for different data sets.



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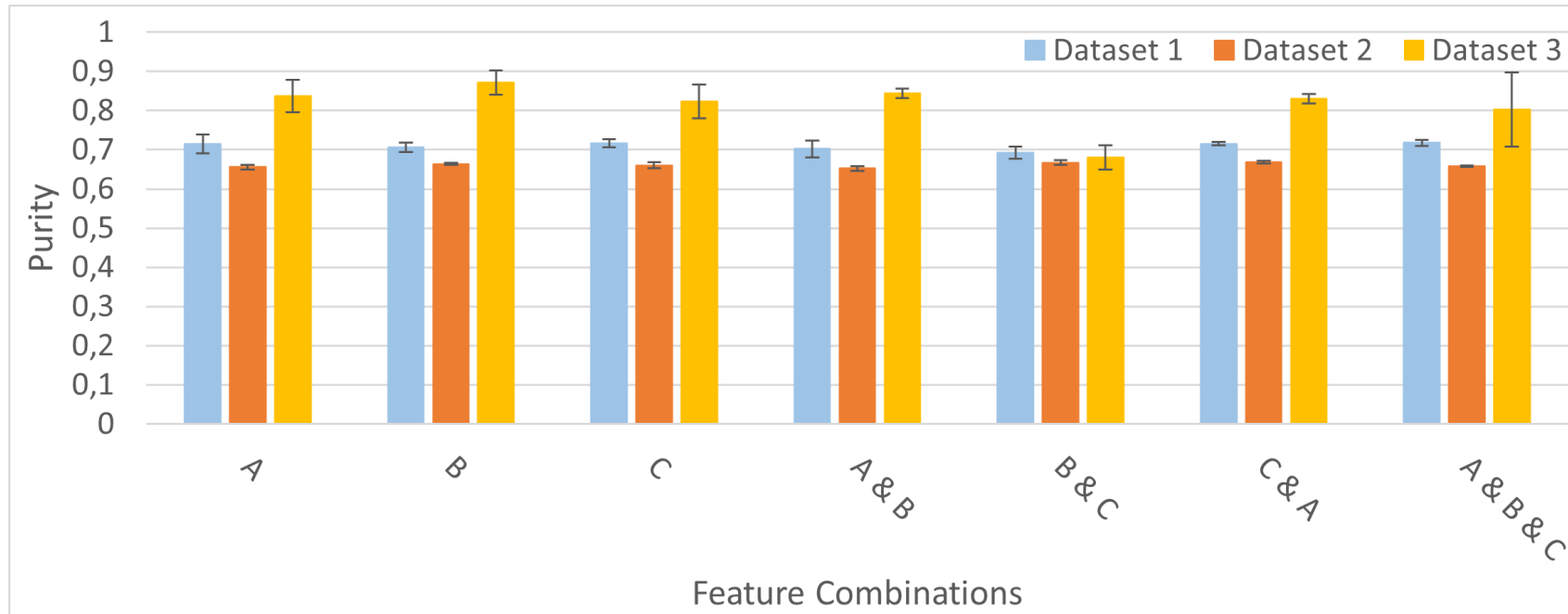
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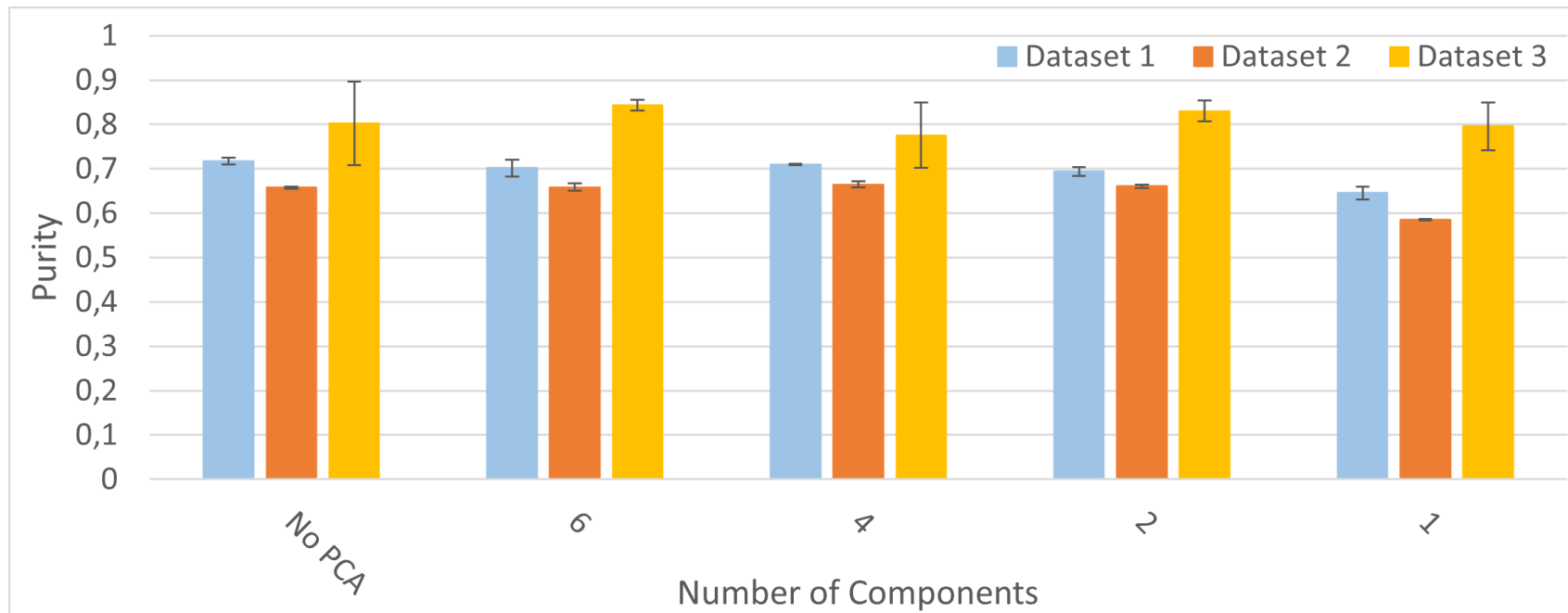
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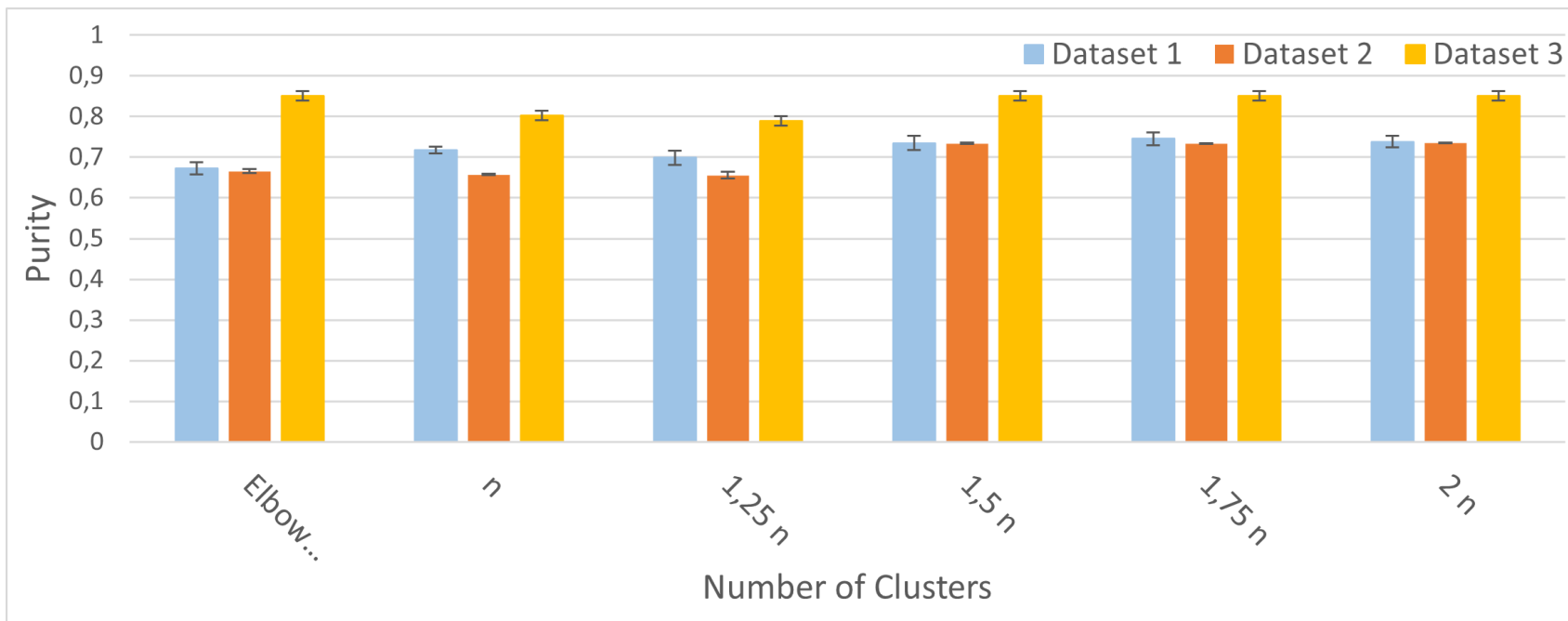
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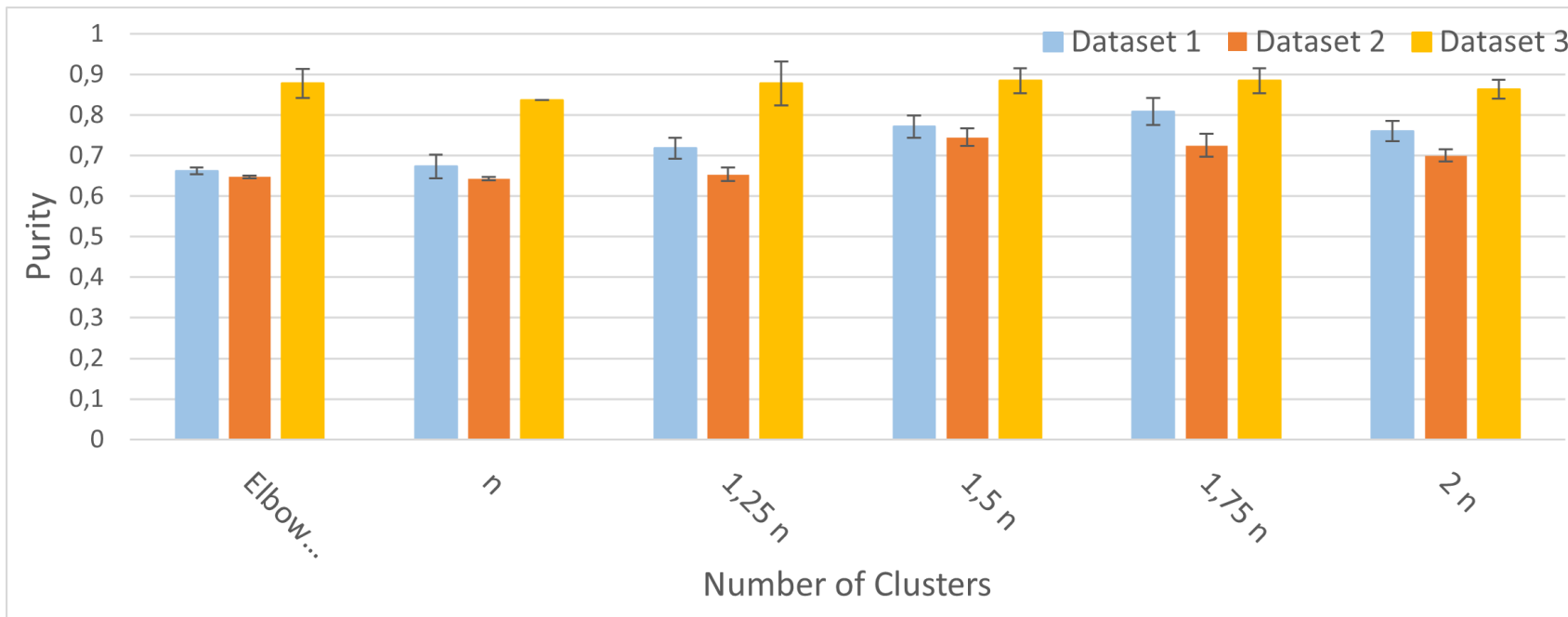


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- i) GMM's performance increased continuously until 2 times the number of conditions
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- iii) Could be a result of GMM not locating any more distinct normal distributions in the data.



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